

## ***HIM Advocacy Award***

### ***Award Description:***

The HIM Advocacy Award recognizes the exceptional efforts by an individual(s) that have contributed to the advancement of the HIM profession by means of the legislative and regulatory process at the local, state, and/or federal levels.

### ***Qualified nominees are individuals who have demonstrated the following award worthy efforts:***

- Promote legislative and regulatory initiatives that support the advancement of the HIM profession
- Actively participate in the legislative process in an effort to initiate change or to create new regulatory legislation to advance the HIM profession
- Create awareness of the HIM profession at the local, state, and/or federal levels
- Willingness to educate and present legislative and regulatory topics at educational events to raise awareness among the HIM profession
- Demonstrates and motivates leadership characteristics through advocacy at the local, state, and/or federal levels
- Promote and support the professional standards and mission of MaHIMA at the local, state, and/or federal levels
- Contributes to an environment that positions the HIM profession in a leadership role at the legislative level
- Involvement on MaHIMA or related committees
- Provide testimony or testimony-support before legislative committees and/or regulatory agencies
- Advocate for HIM related issues to government officials and/or committees

### ***Guidelines: Nominations must include the following:***

- Describe in detail the role and involvement of the individual(s). Please include an outline of the specific task, goals, challenges, names of legislative parties involved in the process, series of events, outcomes, etc.

### ***Eligible Candidates:***

- MaHIMA and Non-MaHIMA members
- If a previous recipient of the HIM Advocacy Award, eligible every 3 years

### ***Submission Due Date:***

- Two (2) months prior to the Annual Dot Wagg Memorial Seminar

### ***Recognition:***

- Award will be presented at the Annual Dot Wagg Memorial Seminar and showcased in MaHIMA e-Channel.