AHIMA TRIUMPH AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP
KAREN GRANT, MAHIMA PRESIDENT

Martha Hamel, CHPC

Since their inception in 1994, the AHIMA Triumph Awards have honored those professionals responsible for advancing the field of health information management (HIM). Each year, AHIMA members nominate those that have demonstrated extraordinary leadership, volunteerism and talent. As part of a long and cherished tradition, the Triumph Awards continue to be the highest recognition of excellence, dedication and service, and are presented annually at the AHIMA Convention & Exhibit.

This year, our MAHIMA President, Karen Grant, RHIA, CHP was awarded the AHIMA Triumph Award for Leadership. Karen is a distinguished leader who is widely recognized for her many professional accomplishments, proven leadership abilities and innovative ideas. The award was conferred at the General Session of AHIMA’s Annual Convention in Baltimore, MD on Monday, October 17, 2016.

John Glaser, Sr. VP, Population Health, Jeanne Fernandes, Past President, MAHIMA and Charles Saponaro, President, MRA all submitted their letters of support for Karen. John Glaser had worked with Karen from 1995 through 2010 at Partners in her capacity as Corporate Director of HIM and Chief Privacy Officer and his letter reflected on her accomplishments and professionalism during that time. Jeanne Fernandes also wrote a wonderful letter, noting that at one time in her career, she reported directly to Karen and described how her enthusiasm for HIM was very notable and contagious. As you all know, Jeanne and Karen have been working closely together over the past year as Karen transitioned into the President of MAHIMA role. Karen is now the Chief Operating Officer at MRA working with Charles Saponaro, who submitted a very impressive letter regarding the work that Karen has accomplished in just three years of service. All of these accolades hold true today. Karen is very well deserving of this award. Please join us in congratulating Karen on achieving this important professional distinction.