

## **MaHIMA CERTIFICATION GRANT**

**PURPOSE:** To encourage HIM professional certification by assisting members with a portion of the cost of certification examinations.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Any member of MaHIMA who has passed one of the following AHIMA sponsored certification programs:

- Certified Coding Associate (CCA)
- Certified Coding Specialist (CCS)
- Certified Coding Specialist—Physician-based (CCS-P)
- Certified Health Data Analyst (CHDA)
- Certified in Healthcare Privacy and Security (CHPS)
- Certified Documentation Improvement Practitioner (CDIP)
- Registered Health Information Administrator (RHIA)
- Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT)

Detailed information on the AHIMA certification programs can be found at:

<http://www.ahima.org/certification>

**FUNDING:** MaHIMA will partially fund the cost of sixteen certification tests per year (four per quarter). The \$100 grants will be awarded on a first-come-first-awarded basis.

### **SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:**

1. MaHIMA Certification Grant Request Form
2. Written proof from AHIMA of passing grade for the certification examination. The request must be made within one year of taking the examination.
3. Receipt for proof of payment (cancelled check or printout of receipt for on-line registration).
4. Statement of intent to remain employed in Massachusetts and a member of MaHIMA for a period of 6 months.