

2009 Professional Achievement Award

Paula M. Warren, RHIA

The Professional Achievement Award recognizes outstanding achievements and leadership in a specialized area of our profession, or an individual who exemplifies excellence in health information by bringing credit to the association and our professional community. The 2009 Professional Achievement Award goes to Paula Warren.

Paula has been very fortunate in her career to have had the opportunity to work in different aspects of health information management. She has worked as a consultant, director of information services, an instructor, a coding manager, and manager of health information management. In each role, Paula has successfully been able to represent our organization as one of quality with expert professionals in health information.

Paula demonstrates professional excellence in all that she does, but what makes Paula truly exceptional is her continued desire to serve through voluntarism at OHIMA, EOHIMA, and at AHIMA. Her professional association activities are numerous and some highlights include:

OHIMA - Some roles Paula has been elected to perform as: Director of several key OHIMA strategies, delegate to represent Ohio at our national level, and to her current position as President-Elect.

EOHIMA - Paula has served the EOHIMA through roles as a President and Past-President

AHIMA - Paula has served as an AHIMA Community Education Coordinator.

Paula also has served as a board member of the Ohio Department of Alcohol & Drug Addiction Services Advisory Board. Paula also serves on an Advisory Board for the Health Information Management Program at the Stark State College of Technology.

Paula continues to share her knowledge and expertise with HIM professionals across the state, regionally and nationally through her service at OHIMA and offering her insight through writing different articles for In Confidence and other professional magazines. Paula has been a mentor to many people over her exciting career in health information management over the years. Paula's willingness to volunteer and strong love of mentoring is evidence of her dedication to our organization and profession. Therefore we are pleased to recognize Paula Warren as recipient of our 2009 Professional Achievement Award. Please join us in congratulating Paula as one of Ohio's outstanding HIM professionals.

