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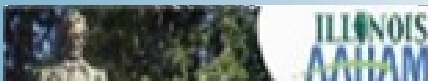
We appreciate each of our members and corporate sponsors. The IL AAHAM would not and could not exist without you! The IL AAHAM Board would like to extend it's warmest wishes for a safe, happy and healthy New Year!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Vanessa Haydon
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IL Chapter President

Friends,

Gratitude is important every day of the year, but at this time, it is more important than ever.

Last year showed me how fortunate I am to work with a group of people that refuses to give anything less than 110% for our members. To our healthcare workers, your work made and continues to make the real difference. Together, we rallied beside each other helping find impossible answers when little else made sense.

The IL AAHAM Board's adaptability resulted in monthly education for our members totaling 45 CEUs, advocacy efforts and we gave back to local charities. A huge thank you to our outgoing Board of Directors from the 2020-2021 term and a warm welcome to our new 2022-23 Board of Directors. We look forward to a productive two years!

I'd also like to thank our corporate partners and speakers, without whom we would not be able to provide quality education to our members. Provider members, if you are in need of a service please review our vetted [Corporate Partners | Illinois AAHAM](#). If you have suggestions for speakers or are a speaker, please share with us [Speaker Topics](#).

Most importantly, I want to thank each and every one of our members. You inspire us, encourage us and give us purpose. Thank you for your faith in us as we navigated uncertain paths and continued providing you with quality education in innovative ways.

Let's charge forward this year with the hope of better days to come. Let's also not lose sight of the many, many blessings we've been given.

On behalf of the IL AAHAM Board of Directors, I wish you a happy, healthy and successful 2022.

Warmly,


Vanessa Haydon

IL AAHAM President

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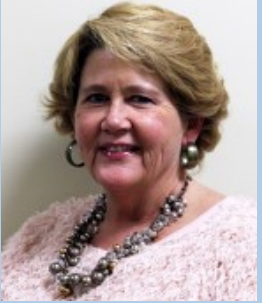
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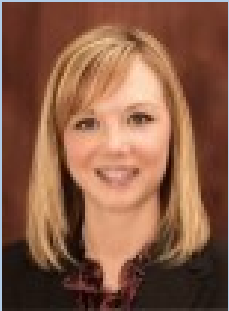
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Thank you!

Thank you to the 2021 IL AAHAM board for all of your hard work and dedication over the past year. We truly appreciate your efforts to bring valuable content the IL AAHAM members.

Many thanks to Tera Roesch as her tenure of the board comes to a close.

Please welcome Christina Hertzberg and Leeann Ferris to the 2022-2023 board. We are also extremely grateful for the return of John Currier, he will be the acting Chairman of the Board for the 2022-2023 term.



Upcoming IL AAHAM Events

The IL AAHAM board is currently working on getting webinars related to the topics below on the calendar...

Leading a Resilient Healthcare Team

Lifecycle of a Claim

Estate Claims

Your 2022-23 IL AAHAM Board meets in January to plan a full year of amazing content, allowing our certified members to meet maintain their CEUs.

Be on the lookout additional details coming soon!

**Renew Your
Membership**



National AAHAM

Dates to Remember

AAHAM Webinar– Mentorship - Changing Lives One Conversation at a Time

Topic: Mentorship – Changing Lives One Conversation at a Time

When: WEDNESDAY, January 26, 2022 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM EDT

Speaker: Jessica Yard, MBA, CSBI, and CRCR, Vice President of Revenue Cycle at Healthfuse

Registration Deadline: January 19, 2022 AAHAM CEUs Earned: 2

Mentorship can be life changing as well as career changing. In this webinar, you'll learn about mentorship; what it means to be a mentor, what it means to be a mentee and how to make it successful.

AAHAM Webinar– Understanding Gender Diverse and Transgender Terminology

Topic: Understanding Gender Diverse and Transgender Terminology

When: Wednesday, February 9, 2022 1:30 - 3:00 PM EDT

Speaker: Kimberly Brewer, CPA, CMPE, Practice Administrator at Northampton Area Pediatrics, LLP

Registration Deadline: February 2, 2022 AAHAM CEUs Earned: 3

This webinar provides a base of knowledge of gender identity terminology. Participants will learn up-to-date gender diverse terminology including what terms to use and what terms or questions to avoid. We will discuss the challenges that gender diverse people face on a daily basis. Participants will also learn to recognize stereotypes and how to communicate with those whose lifestyle may not mirror yours. The hope is that participants can gain the knowledge to create a safe, respectful, comfortable space for patients, employees and visitors to your practice, organization or facility.

AAHAM Webinar– Don't Deny Your Denials: Understanding the Trends, Challenges and How to Successfully Manage Your Complex Claims

Topic: Don't Deny Your Denials: Understanding the Trends, Challenges and How to Successfully Manage Your Complex Claims

When: Wednesday, March 2, 2022 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM EDT

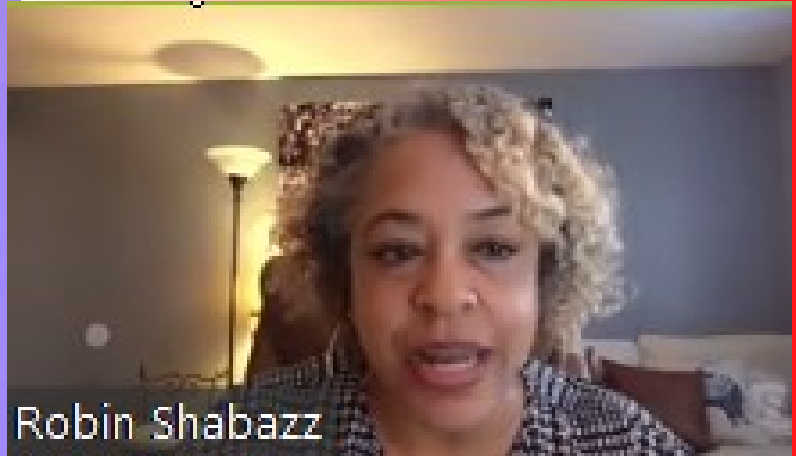
Speaker: Jason Smartt, Esquire, CRCR, Vice President of Complex Claims and Bradford Crowther, Vice President of Complex Claims at Enable Comp

Registration Deadline: February 23, 2022 AAHAM CEUs Earned: 2

This webinar provides insight into some of the more challenging aspects of working complex claims - Veterans Administration, Worker's Compensation, Motor Vehicle Accident/TPL and ERISA. As the percentage of denied claims continues to rise, it is important to understand some of the avenues of recovery which require specialized expertise in order to experience success in overturning denials. In many cases, legal representation may be the only recourse available. This presentation shares best practices on how to pursue those legal options.

Register here!

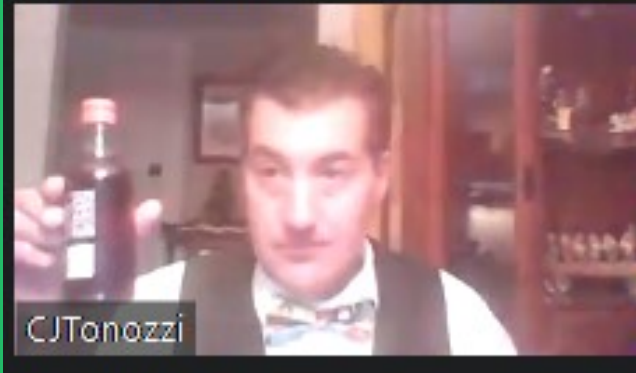




Robin Shabazz



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Congratulations to Kenny Koerner on awarded the Exceptional Contributions and Lifetime presented during 2021 ASI.



Congratulations to CJ Tonozzi
on receiving the Charles Garvin
Award presented during 2021
ASI.



**IL AAHAM
gives back!**

**FIRST
RESPONDERS
FIRST**

Due to the generosity of IL AAHAM members during the 2021 ASI auction, IL AAHAM was able to give \$2000.00 to First Responders First. Thank you for your generous support!

The ability to heal is at the center of any health condition and every health crisis.

This is a human truth.

The people at the center of public health are our first responders: our frontline workers, healthcare professionals, social workers and caregivers.

In order to do their job of caring for others, they must be well-supported with resources that lift them up and strengthen their resilience, mentally and physically. As frontline workers continue to serve amidst the ongoing public health crisis of COVID-19, they must adapt and respond to the ever-evolving challenges facing our communities. #FirstRespondersFirst takes a whole human approach to addressing the needs of our frontline workers in order to support their ability to serve.

Donations provide essential supplies, equipment, accommodations, child care, food, and critical mental health support and resources to ensure that our frontline workforce is protected, well supported and resilient.

High Anxiety - National AAHAM Executive Director's Blog

Author: Sharon Galler

Posted: 02/21/2021

The physical effects of the stress we have all been under the last year has led many of us to feel vulnerable; both physically and mentally. It is normal for our bodies to experience the physical symptoms of emotional distress.

Humans are designed for survival; the old "fight or flight" response. Whenever we are faced with a perceived threat, the hormones cortisol and adrenaline start to flood throughout our system. Our muscles tense up, our breathing becomes more shallow and rapid, our heart rate increases, our stomach acids churn as we enter a state of "hyper-vigilance." These hormones can save us, but they can also cause us great anxiety; exhaustion, irritability, sleeplessness, over stimulation or even depression.

According to Lucy McBride, MD, here are a few tips to help ease some of that anxiety:

Limit your media consumption, set a daily limit on news TV and radio, Facebook, Twitter, etc.

Fact-check your worries, distinguish between worries that are grounded in fact vs. false internal narratives. Protect your body by countering negative thoughts with facts.

Keep a journal, the simple act of writing down your concerns helps free your mind of clutter and opens your mind up to more calm, rational thinking.

Prioritize sleep, aim for 7-9 hours.

Exercise, get moving. This is one of the best ways to de-stress and to release anxiety.

Find a mental escape; read a book, page thru a magazine, binge on trash tv, learn a new craft or cooking skill.

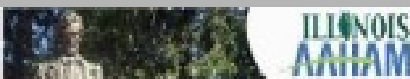
Laugh as much as you can; watch a comedy, listen to your kiddos, play with your pets, read the funny papers, listen to a funny podcast.

Please go easy on yourself, we are all living through these extremely challenging times and doing the best we can. We can only do so much and please remember, its ok to ask for help!

National Suicide Lifeline 800-273-TALK (8255)

SAMSHA 800-662-HELP (4357)

NAMI 800-950-NAMI (6266)



AAHAM Certification

- The world is changing and so are we...

2021 is off to a fast start with AAHAM certification, and we are excited to announce two significant enhancements to our certification program! **AAHAM will now offer all of our certification exams on a monthly basis, enabling our test takers to have more flexible scheduling options to become certified when the time is right for them. All certification exams will now be offered on the third week of each month.** The new certification exam calendar and registration links are available at <https://www.aaham.org/Certification.aspx>

The certification exams will continue to be delivered either remotely online through ProctorU, or with a local in-person proctor. We will work with examinees to assist in making the necessary proctoring arrangements for their exams. All exam registrations will need to be submitted at least 30 days prior to the scheduled exam date, and there are no changes to the exam registration fees. **The 30-day registration deadline now applies to both new exams and section retakes**, offering a faster track to becoming certified for those who are ready to take an exam for the first time. For further details, please visit <https://www.aaham.org/Certification.aspx>.

Digital Study Guides

As noted recently in the AAHAM Journal, we are also thrilled to announce that we will be offering digital versions of all of the AAHAM certification study guides to purchase starting on April 1st.

This new format has been highly requested, and we are excited to make this format available along with the enhanced features that it provides. The digital study guides will have the same content of the traditional hard-copy books, with additional flexibility that the digital format offers. Whether you prefer to view the study guide on a tablet, phone, or web browser, we have you covered with this new interactive option. Here are some of the digital study guide features at-a-glance:

- Flexibility to access and explore content on any device, from anywhere - even when offline.
- Content is delivered via the free Mimeo Digital app, which is available in all app stores, as well as any web browser.
- Interactive, user-friendly format enables features like taking notes, adding bookmarks, and more, all synced across your devices and stored in the cloud.
- The integrity of content is upheld in the digital format, with advanced security features that prevent unauthorized sharing or printing of the materials.

If you still prefer the traditional hard-copy books, there's no need to worry, they will also be available to purchase instead of the new digital option.

Providing more flexibility with AAHAM's certification training and testing has been a core focus of our certification committee's work over the past year. The future is bright with AAHAM certification, as we look forward to continuing to provide our industry-leading certifications and education in ways that can fit into anyone's busy schedule.

Upcoming Testing Dates

January

01/17 - 01/21/2022

February

02/21 - 02/25/2022

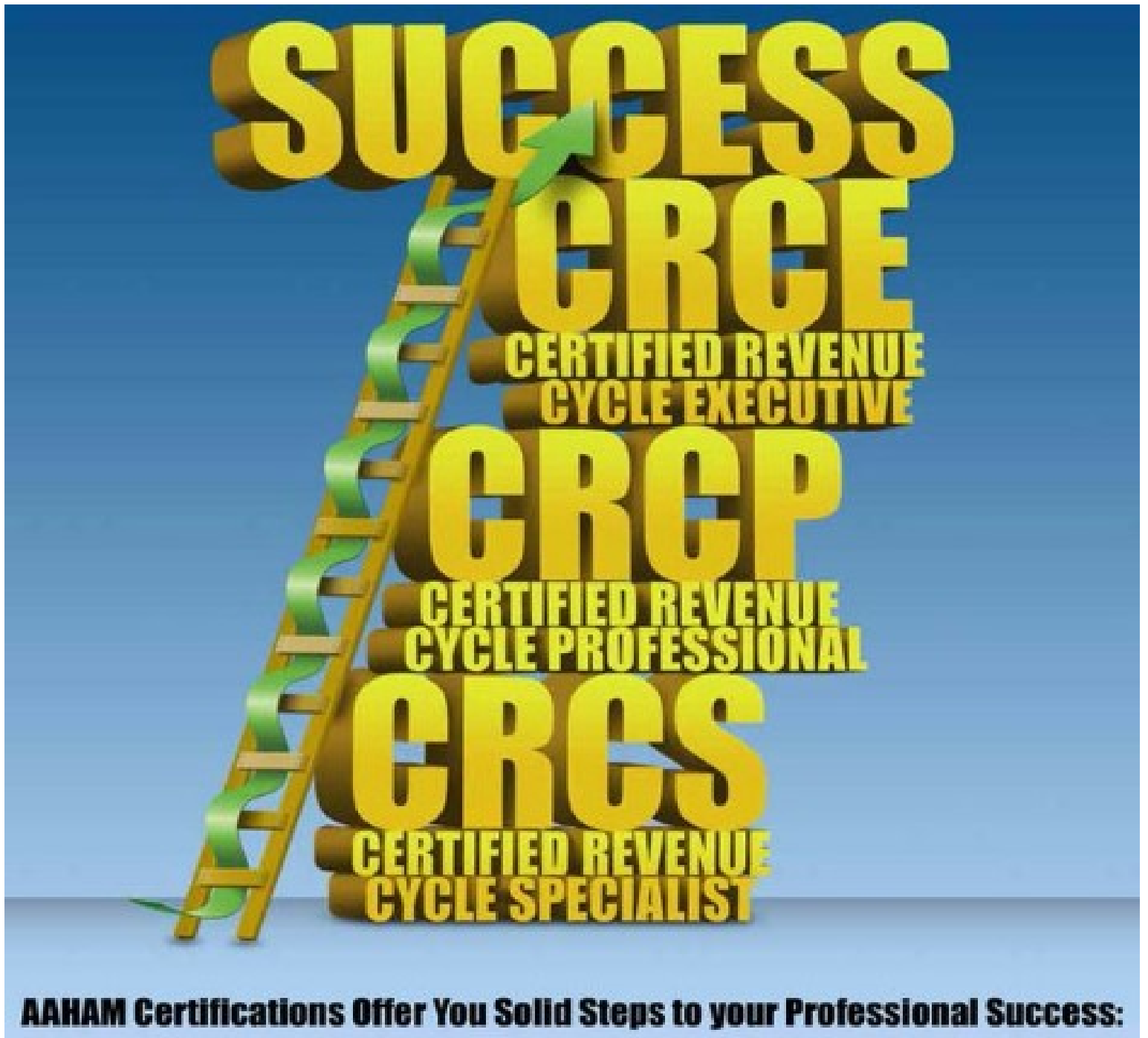
March

03/21 - 03/25/2022

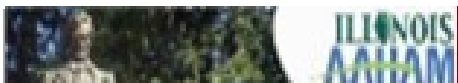
Please remember to register at least 30 days prior to the testing period.

[REGISTER HERE](#)





AAHAM's Certifications are your ladder to success!



NEW CERTIFICATIONS

Please help us in congratulating our newly certified IL AAHAM Members!

CRCS

Mazin Mahmoud - Prime Healthcare

CRCE

Tracy Healy - Sherloq Revenue Solutions

Erica Pickering - Sherloq Revenue Solutions

Nova Jane Warren - Sherloq Revenue Solutions

Karen Woo - Unity Point Health



It's time to renew your Membership and Illinois AAHAM has a new offering for the 2022 Membership year!

We recognize and understand the financial impact most are experiencing both personally and professionally due to COVID-19.

With that in mind, for the first time ever, the Illinois Chapter of AAHAM is offering a State-only Membership level. This Membership level allows you to join the Illinois chapter without having to join or renew at the National association level. Illinois AAHAM State-only members may upgrade their membership to the National level at any time throughout the calendar year, should they seek National level benefits.



Which Membership is right for me you ask?

State: The fee to become an Illinois Chapter member is \$30.00. If you join any time prior to October 1st membership will become effective that calendar year. If you join after October 1st, membership will become effective the remaining of that year and the following calendar year.

National: The fee to become a National AAHAM member is \$209. If you join in July, the dues are \$160 for the rest of the current year. If you join between August 1st and November 30th, the fee is \$250 for the rest of the current year and all of the following year. *We also offer [payment plans](#) to help ease the dues burden.*

Student:

Full Time Student Membership: **Students taking at least 12 credit hours per semester can join for free.** You must submit proof of your full time status with this application. Student members receive the benefits of membership with the exception of voting, eligibility for professional or executive levels of certification, eligibility for the member scholarships, and cannot be a proxy for a chapter president at any national board meetings.

Part Time Student Membership: The part time student membership fee is \$50. If you join in July, the dues are \$35 for the rest of the current year. If you join between August 1st and November 30th, the fee is \$65 for the rest of the current year and all of the following year. **To qualify for the part time student membership you must currently be taking between 6-11 credit hours per semester and submit proof with this application.** Student members receive all the benefits of membership with the exception of voting, eligibility for executive and professional certification, eligibility for the member scholarships, and cannot be a proxy for a chapter president at any national board meetings.

Retired: **There is no longer a fee for retired members!** To qualify for retired membership, an individual must be an AAHAM member who has retired from healthcare. Retired members receive all benefits of membership with the exception of voting.



Click [here](#) for more information!

2022 National Membership Application

Name		Title	
Employer Name		Email Address	
Address <input type="checkbox"/> Work			
City	State	Zip	Country
Work Phone	Cell Phone	Secondary Email Address	Local Chapter
Address <input type="checkbox"/> Home			
City	State	Zip	Country

Membership Categories and Rates

* Local chapter dues may vary

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP - The fee to become a National AAHAM member is \$200. If you join in July, the dues are \$160 for the rest of the current year. If you join between August 1st and November 30th, the fee is \$250 for the rest of the current year and all of the following year.

We also offer payment plans to help ease the dues burden. Please contact the AAHAM National Office if you would like more information.

FULL TIME STUDENT MEMBERSHIP - Students taking at least 12 credit hours per semester can join for free. You must submit proof of your full time status with this application. Student members receive the benefits of membership with the exception of voting, eligibility for professional or executive levels of certification, and cannot be a proxy for a chapter president at any national board meetings. If you are applying as a **Full Time Student Member**, please [click here to join online or download the correct membership application](#).

PART TIME STUDENT MEMBERSHIP - The part time student membership fee is \$50. If you join in July, the dues are \$35 for the rest of the current year. If you join between August 1st and November 30th, the fee is \$65 for the rest of the current year and all of the following year. To qualify for the part time student membership you must currently be taking between 6-11 credit hours per semester and submit proof with this application. Student members receive all the benefits of membership with the exception of voting, eligibility for executive and professional certification, and cannot be a proxy for a chapter president at any national board

AAHAM would like your consent to contact you through your cell phone in order to provide you with updates, notifications, and other information pertinent to your membership.

I hereby expressly grant my consent to AAHAM to contact me through the cell phone number provided herein.

You may subsequently withdraw this consent by contacting:
AAHAM Membership Department
11240 Waples Mill Road, Suite 200, Fairfax, VA 22030
Phone: (703) 281-4043 Email: moayad@aaHAM.org

I do not grant consent to AAHAM to contact me through my cell phone.

If referred by AAHAM member, please give their name:

Payment Method:

- Check/Money Order (Make Payable to AAHAM)
 Amex Visa MasterCard

Card Number:

Exp: CV2 Code:

Name as it appears on card:

Signature:

Billing Address for Credit Card:

PAYMENT TOTAL

NATIONAL DUES:

LOCAL DUES:

TOTAL ENCLOSED:

Please allow two weeks for processing after your application is received at the national office. Dues are not tax deductible as a charitable contribution, but may be as a business expense. Approximately 4% of your annual dues are used for lobbying activities and are non-deductible.

Please note: AAHAM's membership year is from January to December, it is not anniversary based. Membership is on an individual, not institutional, basis and is non-transferable.

Local Chapters

AAHAM has over 30 chapters throughout the US and India. Local chapters offer you more opportunities for education and networking. Local chapters offer you more opportunities for education and networking, and offer both in person and webinar educational opportunities. In addition, local chapters offer a great opportunity to obtain an industry leading healthcare certification which provides exceptional value to students when seeking employment in the healthcare field. Please see the listing of local chapters below to help you decide which chapter you should belong to along with your national membership.

Name of Chapter	Geographic Location	Chapter Dues	Please Check the Appropriate Codes in Each Category Below
Nebraska Aksarben #01	Nebraska	\$0.00	Years in Healthcare: <input type="checkbox"/> 0-5 <input type="checkbox"/> 6-10 <input type="checkbox"/> 11-20 <input type="checkbox"/> 21-25 <input type="checkbox"/> 25+ Certification: <input type="checkbox"/> CHAM (NAHAM) <input type="checkbox"/> CHFP (HFMA) <input type="checkbox"/> PFPMA (HFMA) <input type="checkbox"/> CHCS (ACA) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please list) Employer Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Billing <input type="checkbox"/> Collection Agency <input type="checkbox"/> Consulting <input type="checkbox"/> Law Firm <input type="checkbox"/> Outsourcing <input type="checkbox"/> Provider <input type="checkbox"/> Software/IT <input type="checkbox"/> Vendor/Corporate Partner <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please list) Position: <input type="checkbox"/> CFO <input type="checkbox"/> Consultant <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director <input type="checkbox"/> Vice President <input type="checkbox"/> Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Patient Access Representative <input type="checkbox"/> Partner, Principal, Owner <input type="checkbox"/> PFS Representative <input type="checkbox"/> Supervisor/Coordinator <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please list)
Florida Sunshine #03	Florida	\$40.00	
Carolina #04	North & South Carolina	\$30.00	
Minnesota Gopher #06	Minnesota	\$40.00	
Iowa Hawkeye #07	Iowa	\$0.00	
Missouri Hawthorn #08	Missouri	\$45.00	
Illinois #09	Illinois	\$30.00	
Washington Inland Empire #10	Washington State, East of the Mountains	\$25.00	
Pennsylvania Keystone #11	Central Pennsylvania	\$25.00	
Maryland #13	Maryland	\$30.00	
Utah MountainWest #14	Utah	\$30.00	
New Jersey #16	New Jersey	\$40.00	
Ohio Western Reserve #18	Ohio	\$0.00	
Colorado Rocky Mountain #21	Colorado	\$20.00	
Maine Pine Tree #22	Maine	\$25.00	
North/South Dakota Rushmore #23	North & South Dakota	\$0.00	
Western Region #26	Arizona and California	\$0.00	
Virginia #27	Virginia	\$30.00	
Philadelphia #29	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	\$35.00	
Georgia #33	Georgia	\$30.00	
Connecticut #34	Connecticut	\$35.00	
Pennsylvania Three Rivers #37	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	\$30.00	
Texas Bluebonnet #40	Texas	\$50.00	
Indiana #42	Indiana	\$25.00	
Wisconsin #44	Wisconsin	\$25.00	
Chennai #49	Chennai, India	\$0.00	
Tennessee Music City #53	Tennessee	\$35.00	
Vermont & New Hampshire Twin States #56	Vermont & New Hampshire	\$25.00	
Massachusetts #57	Massachusetts	\$85.00	

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Illinois AAHAM – Application for Membership

American Association of Healthcare Administrative Management

Please Type or Print Clearly

Name		Date	
Mailing Address		<input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Business	
City		State	Zip
Daytime Phone (with area code)	Fax Number (with area code)	E-mail Address (please print clearly)	
Employer Name		Your Title	
Local Chapter Name: ILLINOIS # 09		Referred by AAHAM Member (Give Name):	
Are you a member of a different chapter? If Yes please list all.			National Member? Y/N

I affirm that the information I have given is true to the best of my knowledge and I agree to abide by the Illinois AAHAM Code of Ethics and the Constitution and Bylaws of the Association. I understand that the information I have provided in this application will be distributed to Illinois and National AAHAM members, but without my express consent will not otherwise be disclosed or distributed.

SIGNATURE

DATE

MEMBERSHIP: The fee to become a State member is **\$30.00**. If you join anytime prior to October 1 membership will become effective that calendar year. If you join after September 30 membership will become effective the remainder of the year and the following calendar year.

- Membership is on an individual, not institutional, basis and is non-transferable.
- Please allow 2 weeks for processing once your application is received.
- Dues are not tax-deductible as a charitable contribution, but may be deducted as a business expense.

Return application and check made payable to **Illinois AAHAM** to:

Paula Short
216 Rebecca Lane
Normal, IL 61761

Please check the appropriate Certification and/or vendor/provider services in each category below

Certification

If a vendor/insurer please check all services your company provides

<input type="checkbox"/> CRCE <input type="checkbox"/> CRCP <input type="checkbox"/> CRCS <input type="checkbox"/> CRIP <input type="checkbox"/> CCT <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please list) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Bad Debt Recovery <input type="checkbox"/> Billing/Claims/Insurance Billing/Follow-up <input type="checkbox"/> Biometrics <input type="checkbox"/> Coding <input type="checkbox"/> Compliance <input type="checkbox"/> Consulting <input type="checkbox"/> Denials Management/Prevention <input type="checkbox"/> Early Out Recovery <input type="checkbox"/> Fraud Prevention <input type="checkbox"/> Insurer <input type="checkbox"/> Legal <input type="checkbox"/> MA Eligibility/Social Security Disability	<input type="checkbox"/> Recruiting <input type="checkbox"/> Self Pay Recovery <input type="checkbox"/> Software/Systems <input type="checkbox"/> MA Provider Enrollment <input type="checkbox"/> Underpayment Review/Recovery <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please list) _____ _____
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BENEFITS OF AAHAM MEMBERSHIP



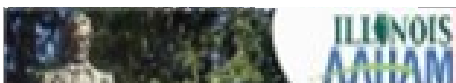
Healthcare revenue cycle professionals across the nation and around the globe are looking for an edge... a way to work smarter, build a career, stay informed and make the right contacts. Your membership in AAHAM helps you achieve all of these goals.

What do I get for my \$239 yearly National and Illinois AAHAM Membership Fee?

- **Eligible for Certification Designations.** AAHAM membership allows you the opportunity to sit for the CRCE, CRCP, CRCS, CRIP, or CCT certification exams, which provide you with the recognition and respect within the Healthcare Revenue Cycle industry. Studies show certified members perform at a higher level of efficiency and provide a return on your investment.
- **Exclusive invitation and pricing to the AAHAM's Annual National Institute (ANI)** known for excellence in education, value and networking. (Save \$100 off your ANI registration for being a member.)
- **Exclusive invitation and pricing to the Illinois AAHAM's quarterly educational events.** (\$75 in Illinois meeting savings for being a member throughout the year.)
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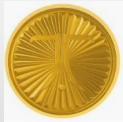
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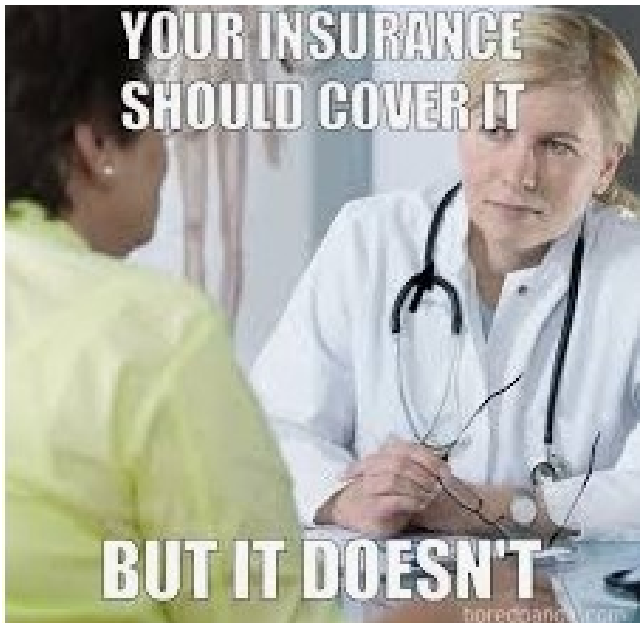
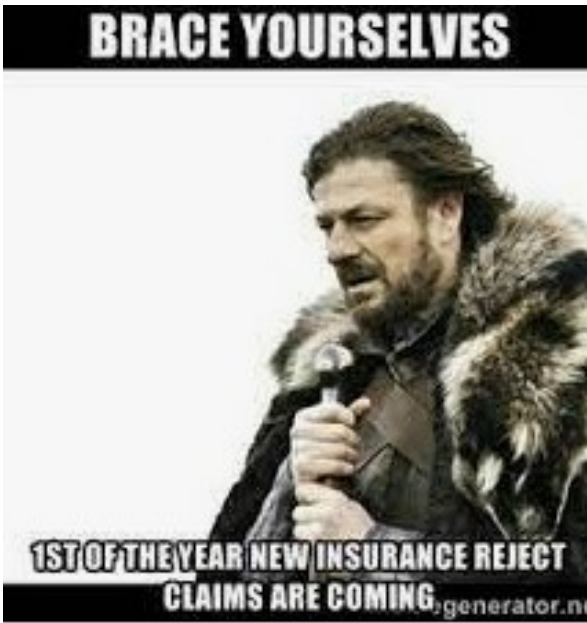


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Illinois AAHAM conducts several educational conferences each year. Each spring and summer our chapter presents one full day of educational meetings. In the fall, our education session is coupled with the annual Charles Garvin Memorial Event. The Annual State Institute (ASI), held in December, is spread over a day and half and includes a vendor tradeshow.

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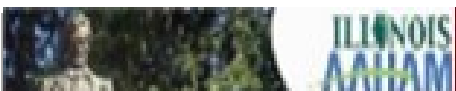
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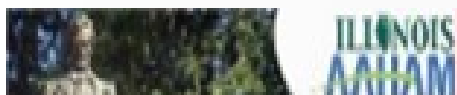
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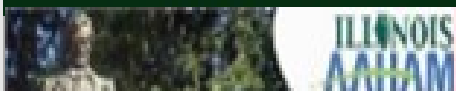
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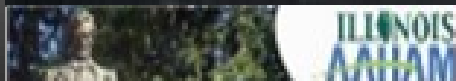
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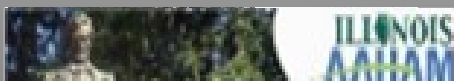
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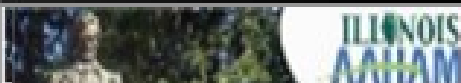
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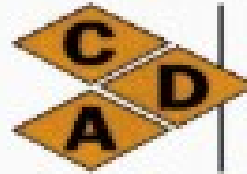


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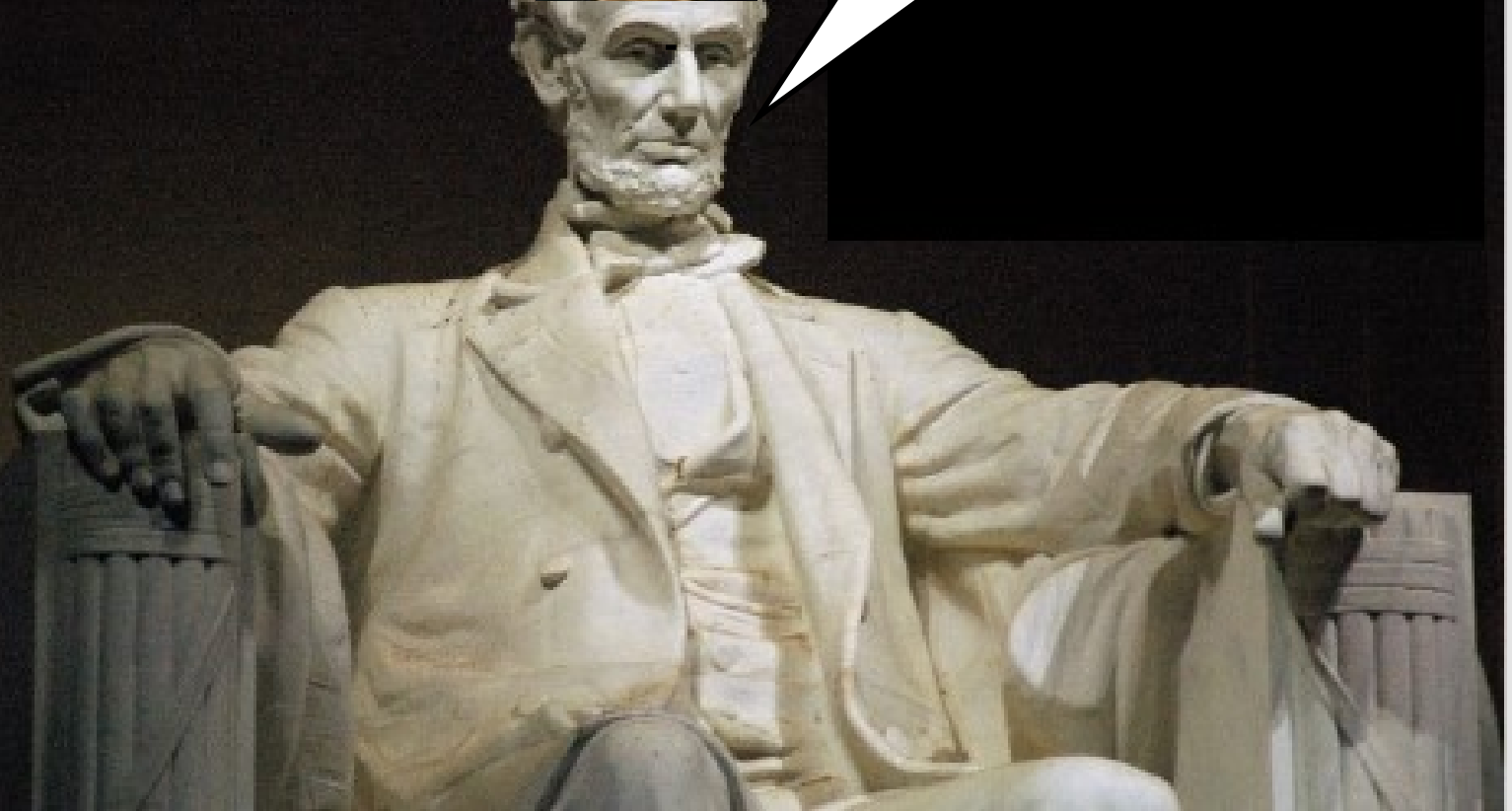
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Happy New Year Friends! Hopefully this one will go better than the last two. What's your resolution or goal this year? Is it to get a promotion? A new certification definitely wouldn't hurt your chances. Is it to gain more knowledge? Have you checked out both the IL and National webinars coming up? Is it to get more involved in an organization you care about? Reach out to a board member to see how you might be able to volunteer with our local chapter. I wish you health and happiness in the new year!



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