

*2019 CDI Week Planning Committee*



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Brautigam manages a team of 11 CDI specialists which covers four hospitals in the low country. She earned her associate degree in nursing in 1986 from Rancho Santiago College in Southern California, her bachelor's degree in 1999 from the University of Utah and was a CCRN for 20 years. She has more than 25 years of experience as a critical care nurse, working throughout the United States and the United Kingdom. After settling in Charleston, she took the leap into CDI in 2010, earned her CCDS in 2011, and took on the role of manager in 2012. When she doesn't have her nose in the records, she enjoys camping and boating with her family. Currently, she is focused on denials prevention in sepsis, malnutrition, and orthopedic conservative measures.



**Janie Brown, RN, CCDS**  
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Brown has been a registered nurse for 35 years and spent 25 years of that time as a bedside nurse in cardiac care and post-anesthesia care. The transition to CDI was an opportunity to use her clinical knowledge and experience in a whole new way. Brown started the CDI program at Community Heart and Vascular Hospital and was promoted to director of clinical documentation with oversight for five hospitals within Community Health Network three and a half years ago. She is a graduate of The University of Indianapolis where she met her husband. Brown has two sons who are currently in college, and her hobbies include reading, swimming, and playing with her dogs.



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Killenberger is a seasoned nurse with more than 40 years of experience in surgical critical, post anesthesia, and coronary care units, as well as vascular surgery. She became a nurse when the nursing textbook was a slim volume, as there were no machines, other than a bedside suction. She received great on-the-job training and made her way into the world of CDI (because she knew what a DRG was, she got the CDI job that was open in her small local hospital) after working in home care doing quality reviews.

From there, Killenberger says she's experienced a whirlwind of education, be it formal, or self-paced, attending ACDIS conferences, reading the journals, taking quizzes, and working until she could take the CCDS exam. She traveled for four years as a CDI specialist, gaining insight into CDI trends around the country. She recently transitioned to remote CDI work for Harmony Healthcare, and Baylor Scott & White Medical Center.

Killenberger enjoys challenges of all kinds including zip lining, hiking in the desert, and puzzles. She enjoys photography, quilting, travel, and cooking. She has two sons, both surveyors. Her dream vacation is taking a Rhine River cruise someday.



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Lee is a CDI specialist with more than 30 years of nursing experience, including roughly three years of CDI-specific experience. In her current role, she reviews inpatient records daily, collaborates with providers, case managers, coding professionals, and other healthcare team members to facilitate comprehensive medical record documentation.



**Sarah Matacale, RN, BSN, CCS**  
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Matacale is a CDI specialist with more than 20 years of experience in nursing specializing in cardiac critical care and hospice. She has nursing experience in a wide variety of inpatient and outpatient areas.

After suffering a large extent of hearing loss, Matacale regrouped, and refocused her career goals on CDI efforts and has been diving headfirst into charts ever since. Longing for a way to reach

people, writing became an outlet and she has written about CDI on nursing websites and for magazines.



**Keri Miller, RN, CCDS**  
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After eight years as a medical oncology and intermediate level RN, Miller began a career in CDI, obtaining the CCDS certification two years later. After three years in the CDI field, she has come to enjoy the ever-changing landscape and challenges that come with the profession. Her passion is CDI education and collaboration amongst peers and physicians.

When she's not working, Miller enjoys spending time with family, hiking, and outdoor motor sports.



**Shirlivia Parker, MHA, RHIA, CDIP**  
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Parker is the senior manager of physician partnership and advocacy in CDI at Providence St. Joseph Health System (PSJHS), Shared Services. She has a master's degree in health administration from the University of Phoenix in Phoenix, Arizona, and a Bachelor of Science in health information management (HIM) from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Parker has 19 years of revenue cycle experience, which includes various roles, including HIM director, CDI physician educator, clinical coder/auditor, CDI specialist, and denial's management expert. She has worked with PSJHS for the past four years.



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Sanders received her degree from DeVry University in 2008 and has been working at her organization for more than 10 years. Currently, she manages the HIM, coding, and transcription departments for the behavior health services, a medical center, and the physician clinics. Previously, she was given the opportunity to manage three specialty clinics, but she transitioned out of that role last year. Recently, she was asked to oversee the HIM and CDI teams for Trios Health as well as Lourdes, which became a sister-hospital with Lourdes' recent transition to LifePoint. Lourdes started their outpatient CDI program in the fall of 2016 and has since shifted focus to the inpatient side in late 2018. Thus far, the program has been well

received by the hospitalists and the team has excellent support from senior leadership as well as from the physicians.



**Terry Simmons, MSN, RN, CCRN-K, CCDS**  
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Simmons has 35 years of bedside clinical practice experience in medical-surgical and extended care, including 25 years as a critical care nurse. Now, she's approaching seven years in CDI. In 2004, Simmons was honored with the American Association of Critical Care Nurses Clinical Excellence Award and as a Nightingale nurse in 2011. She enjoys hiking and swimming in the ocean with family and friends. Her primary research has been in nursing documentation, so becoming CDI was a natural choice.



**Cindy Whichard, RN, CCDS**  
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Whichard has more than eight years of experience successfully leading clinical operations in middle revenue cycle, specifically CDI. In her current role, Whichard will head client delivery solutions to ensure best practice management is achieved. Prior to joining PHS, Whichard served as a regional CDI director for Conifer Health Solutions where she was responsible for CDI operations for three Divisions, totaling 11 hospitals. She managed a CDI budget of \$16.5 million. Additionally, she performed CDI and physician education.

Whichard has experience with CDI program implementation as well as CDI practice for large academic centers like Ochsner Health Systems in New Orleans. She is a graduate of Howard College in Texas and has more than 16 years of clinical nursing practice.

She is a member of the California, Washington, and Tennessee state local ACDIS chapters. Currently, she is leading the launch of the first Arkansas local ACDIS chapter.

### ***CDI Week Advisor***



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Mogbo has a passion for quality patient care and all things CDI, including its overall impact on patient care/safety, and physician and hospital profiles. She

has successfully managed various teams, including clinical documentation specialists and coding auditors. She worked as a CDI training director for a California-based health system and currently works as a CDI manager for Tenet Healthcare. She actively participates in the CDIP and RHIA exam item writing with AHIMA. She has been involved in the successful development of in-house curriculum for training clinical documentation specialists and serves as co-chair of the AHIMA CDI practice council working on many projects that provide guidance to the industry—the most recent being updating the *Guidelines for Achieving a Compliant Query Practice*, a joint publication between ACDIS and AHIMA..

She co-authored an AHIMA practice brief on “Physician Engagement in CDI,” featured in the July 2017 *Journal of AHIMA* and also co-authored the AHIMA practice brief on “Physician Office Query” in July 2018. Mogbo was a speaker at the 89th AHIMA Convention, a moderator at the 2018 AHIMA CDI Summit and presented on AHIMA webinars in 2018 and 2019.

Mogbo is current serving on the ACDIS Advisory Board through April 2022.

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In her role as the ACDIS editor, Archibald assists in the research and development of CDI products, including books, webinars, eLearning, and the online publications *CDI Journal*, *CDI Strategies*, and the ACDIS Blog. Additionally, she is responsible for engaging ACDIS members through social media and other mediums, and coordinating several ACDIS committees. Before joining the ACDIS team, Archibald worked as the editorial manager at an insurance investigative agency and as a freelance writer for various magazines.