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ACDIS is the premier healthcare community for clinical documentation specialists, providing a medium for education, professional growth, program recognition, and networking.

• Began on October 1, 2007
• Has more than 3,700 members and 40 local chapters
• Has developed a code of ethics for CDI specialists
• Has certified more than 1,300 Certified Clinical Documentation Specialists (CCDS)
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FIVE WAYS TO CELEBRATE
Clinical Documentation Improvement Week in your facility

1. Place a poster in your nursing units and in the physicians’ dictation area about specific documentation requirements of a problematic diagnosis (i.e., CHF, sepsis, encephalopathy). Alternatively, the poster could demonstrate a case study comparing documentation pre- and post-query, showing the change in length of stay, severity of illness, and risk of mortality.

2. During your concurrent reviews try a trivia game with physicians. For example, “Dr. Jones: try to give me a more specific diagnosis for CHF.” “Dr. Smith—what’s a more specific diagnosis than acute renal insufficiency?” Carry some hard candy to give out as a reward.

3. Write thank you letters to your top docs and NPs/PAs who were especially helpful and cooperative throughout the year. They will enjoy the recognition and praise.

4. Ask your CEO/administrators to write a thank you letter to the CDI staff thanking them for what they do in their role. Surprise your colleagues with the letter!

5. Arrange for a physician to present an inservice on a specific disease process, expected vs. true complications of surgery, etc.

(A complete day-by-day schedule of suggested ways to celebrate Clinical Documentation Improvement Week will be available on www.cdiassociation.com in August).