



# AHCAE

Association of Health Care Auditors and Educators

## 2019 National Conference

**DENVER, CO - August 1-3, 2019**  
(Pre-conf 7/31/19)

***“Shaping the Auditing Future”***



### *Special Keynote Speaker!*

*Motivational & Inspirational!*

#### Speakers / Sessions Include

- Federal and State Agency Officials
- Auditing and Investigations
- HCC, Quality and Risk
- Healthcare Law and Compliance
- Reporting and Monitoring
- Reimbursement and Auditing Impacts
- Network with high level professionals!

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DENVER CO 80216

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7/31/19 - Pre-Conference: *“Nothing But Notes!”* 9:00am-4:00pm  
6 CEUs

8/3/19 - Post-Conf: *“Defend the Medical Record!”* 1:30pm-4:30pm  
3 CEUs

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#### Who Should Attend!

- Auditors and Educators
- EHR Users and Vendors
- Compliance Officers
- Coders and Billers
- Physicians / Clinicians
- Practice Administrators
- Consultants, Educators, Lawyers
- Health Plan Professionals
- HIM Professionals



*This program will have prior approval from various organizations for up to 34.2 continuing hours (AHCAE, CCB, AHIMA and AAPC!)*

*Prior approval in no way constitutes endorsement.*

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**Wednesday, July 31, 2019 (Pre-Conference)**

7:45am-9:00am	Registration for Pre-Conference Session
<u>Pre-Conference:</u> 9:00am-4:00pm	<b>"Nothing But Notes: Hands-On Auditing"</b> Speakers: Desiree Dabovich-Larranaga, CHCA, CPC; Kayme Whetzel, CPC, CPC-I, CHC, CHCA; Jessica Schmor, RN, CPC, CCS, CHCAF, AHFI, CLNC
1:00pm-6:00pm	General Registration Opens

**Thursday, August 1, 2019 – National Conference Begins**

7:00am-8:00am	Registration
7:50am-8:00am	Welcome: Robin Linker, CHCA, CHCAS, CPC-I, CPC, CCS-P, MCS-P, COC, CPC-P, CHC – AHCAE, Executive Director of Operations
8:00am – 9:00am	<b>Keynote: "Downtown Miracles!"</b> Motivational Speaker: Buster Jackson
9:00am – 10:30am	<b>Fraud, Waste and Abuse in the Inpatient Setting</b> Speaker: Jessica Schmor, RN, CPC, CCS, CHCAF, AHFI, CLNC Allegiant Experts, LLC; AHCAE
10:30am – 10:45am	Break
10:45am – 12:15pm	<b>Denial Reasons You Never Saw Coming!</b> Speaker: Jacqueline Thelian, CPC, CPC-I, CHCA, CPMA Medco Consultants, Inc.
12:15pm – 1:15pm	Lunch with Guest Speaker - Department of HHS
1:15pm – 2:45pm	<b>Interventional Radiology Updates!</b> Speakers: Katharine Krol, MD, FSIR, FACR AMA-CPT Editorial Panel and AMA-CPT Executive Committee Member
2:45pm – 3:00pm	Break
3:00pm – 4:30pm	<b>Critical Thinking for Audits</b> Speaker: Susan Garrison, CHCA, CHCAS, CHC, CPC, CCS-P, CPAR, CPC, COC AHCAE Executive Director of Education

Vendors are welcome to join us! Those staying at the hotel will enjoy a complimentary breakfast with their special hotel room rate! Lunch will be provided to conference attendees for Thursday and Friday!



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**Friday, August 2, 2019 –Day 2: National Conference**

8:00am – 9:00am	<b>Keynote: “Auditor Resilience and Validation”</b> Speaker: Robin Linker, CHCA, CHCAS, CPC-I, CPC, CCS-P, MCS-P, COC, CPC-P, CHC; CEO, Robin Linker & Associates, Inc., AHCAE Executive Director of Operations
9:00am – 10:30am	<b>Healthcare Law: Fraud and Abuse Updates</b> Speaker: Sheryl Bridges, JD – Special Counsel Caplan and Earnest, LLC
10:30am – 10:45am	<b>Break</b>
10:45am – 12:15pm	<b>Designing an Effective Auditing and Compliance Plan for CMS Quality &amp; Risk Driven Payment Models</b> Speaker: Daria Bonner, CHCRA, CHCA, CCP, RMC Xact Healthcare Solutions, Inc; AHCAE Leadership Board
12:15pm – 1:15pm	<b>Lunch with Guest Speaker - Medicaid Fraud Unit</b>
1:15pm – 2:45pm	<b>Medicare Changes to Be Aware</b> Speaker: Dick Whitten, MD, MBA, FACP Contractor Medical Director, VP Health Policy Noridian Healthcare Solutions
2:45pm – 3:00pm	<b>Break</b>
3:00pm – 4:30pm	<b>Auditor Risk and Liability: What you need to know!</b> Speaker: Paul W. Kim, JD, MPH - Cole Schotz, PC; AHCAE Leadership Board

**Saturday, August 3, 2019 –Day 3: National Conference**

8:00am – 9:30am	<b>Keynote: “20/20 - The Vision”</b> Speaker: Susan Thurston, CHCRA, CHCA, CPC-I, COC, CCS-P, CMM, MCS-P, CHCO; CEO, Coder’s Connection; AHCAE Leadership Board
9:30am – 10:45am	<b>CDM Compliance: Unraveling the Mystery</b> Speaker: Sarah L. Goodman, MBA, CHCAF, COC, CCP, FCS SLG, Inc; President / CEO; AHCAE Leadership Board
10:30am – 10:45am	<b>Break</b>
10:45am – 12:15pm	<b>Outpatient CDI for HCCs: Bigger Territory, Bigger Rules, Navigating the Transition</b> Speaker: Jim Taylor, MD
12:15pm	<b>FINAL REMARKS - CONFERENCE DISMISSED</b>



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**Saturday, August 3, 2019 – Day 3: Post - Conference Session**

POST CONFERENCE SESSION:

**1:00pm-1:30pm**

**Registration for Post-Conference Session**

*\*Gain insight from fellow auditor experts in the industry through networking and participation in understanding defense of the medical record. Learn from experienced auditors and attorneys!*

**1:30pm-4:30pm**

**"Q&A the Attorney: Defend the Medical Record!"**

(3 CEUs)

**Facilitators: Paul W. Kim, JD, MPH, Cole Schotz, PC  
and AHCAE Leadership Board**

Join us in beautiful Denver, Colorado for another exciting line-up of top industry experts at the Association of Health Care Auditors and Educators national conference. The conference will be held on **August 1-3, 2019** with a full day pre-conference option being held on **July 31, 2019**, and a post conference session the afternoon of **August 3, 2019**.



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**DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Denver - Stapleton North** is located just six miles from downtown Denver and 20 minutes from Denver International Airport. Enjoy the convenience and low costs of taking the train from the Denver International Airport (18 miles) to a station near the hotel where you can then call for pick up.

**Hotel Amenities:** Rooms feature flat-panel TVs and pillowtop signature beds. Wi-Fi is available for a fee. Work up some sweat in the gym, where the treadmills, elliptical machines and stationary bikes are all equipped with TVs and headphone jacks. If aquatics are your thing, swim a few laps in the seasonal outdoor pool. Work travelers will want to head to the on-site business center. End your visit in the hotel's lounge or network. Parking is on the house. Located off I-70, this DoubleTree by Hilton is less than two miles from downtown Denver and mere steps away from the Quebec Square retail center, where you'll find several quality restaurants. Sports Authority Field at Mile High and Coors Field are both about 15 minutes away. Denver DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Denver - Stapleton North provides our guests with plenty of on-site amenities and a location close to area attractions.

**Reservations:** A special block of rooms is being held for this event at **\$121.00** per night, **and it includes the breakfast buffet (additional \$15.95 savings), for those staying at the hotel!** If you want a bit more luxury, consider upgrading to a spacious suite, complete with a separate seating and conference table and take in views of the Rocky Mountains from the comfort of your private balcony. Contact the DoubleTree by Hilton Denver Stapleton North at **303-321-6666** and be sure to ask for the "AHC" or Association of Health Care rate.

**Questions?** Please feel free to contact us with any questions at 303-905-2357 or RLinker@ahcae.org

**Register at:** [www.ahcae.org](http://www.ahcae.org) or you may fax/email the registration form on the next page.

*Cancellations are subject to a cancellation and processing fee. Cancellation requests must be received no later than 14 days prior to the event for a refund to be issued unless special arrangements have been made with our office. Thank you!*



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2 <sup>nd</sup> Attendee		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Attendee		
4 <sup>th</sup> Attendee		

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EVENT Registration	AHCAE Members	Non-AHCAE Members	Number of Attendees	Subtotal
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Conference : -----July 31, 2019 <div style="font-size: small;">📁 "Nothing But Notes" 9am - 4pm</div>	\$250.00	\$375.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> 2019 National AHCAE Aug. 1-3, 2019 Conference	\$550.00	\$625.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> 2019 National AHCAE Aug. 1-3, 2019 Conference <i>and Membership (new or renewal)</i>	\$675.00		X _____	
	<i>(Best value for new /renewing members !)</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Post-Conf: (1:30-4:30pm)----August 3, 2019 "Defend the Medical Record!"	\$200.00		X _____	
	<i>Members and Non-Members</i>			

Mail Registration  
 and Payment to:

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**Association of Health Care Auditors and Educators**  
**6140-K6 S. Gun Club Rd. #292**  
**Aurora, CO 80016**

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You may also fax your payment and registration to: **800-945-4119**

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