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Haugen Academy Achieves First CAHIIM Accreditation for Professional Development Courses

Chicago, Illinois – The Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM), the recognized accrediting body for higher education health information programs, has recently expanded its accreditation scope to include professional development courses.

Haugen Consulting Group (Haugen) has made history by becoming the first institution to receive accreditation from CAHIIM for its ICD-10-CM, ICD-10-PCS and CPT coding education. This significant achievement underscores Haugen's commitment to providing high-quality, industry-relevant education that meets the evolving needs of healthcare professionals.

"CAHIIM accreditation validates our mission to bridge the gap between education and practical application in the healthcare industry. At Haugen, we remain committed to delivering meaningful learning experiences that drive excellence and foster professional growth," said Mary Beth Haugen, the President and CEO of Haugen. *"Achieving CAHIIM accreditation reflects our unwavering commitment to empower healthcare professionals with the knowledge and skills they need to thrive in a dynamic, evolving industry. We are honored to join the ranks of accredited programs nationwide."*

CAHIIM accreditation ensures that Haugen's professional development courses align with the highest standards of health information education. This includes:

- **Rigorous curriculum:** Courses are designed to address critical knowledge and skills required for success in today's dynamic healthcare environment.
- **Comprehensive assessments:** Assessments aim to solidify theoretical knowledge and provide opportunities to apply concepts in authentic contexts.
- **Continuous improvement:** Haugen is committed to ongoing evaluation and improvement of its programs.
- **Prior learning recognition:** Facilitating transfer of prior learning to academic credit if recognized by a college or university.

Angela Kennedy, CAHIIM CEO, stated: *"Haugen Consulting Group has demonstrated its dedication to creating and delivering courses that align with industry demands and support the recognition of prior learning. By offering pathways for individuals to receive credit for their existing skills and experiences, Haugen is empowering diverse learners to advance their careers and make meaningful contributions to the workforce. As we look to the future, CAHIIM is committed to fostering partnerships with industry leaders, educational institutions, and community organizations. Together, we can cultivate a robust workforce prepared to tackle the challenges of tomorrow."*

This achievement further solidifies Haugen's position as a leader in healthcare education. By offering CAHIIM-accredited professional development courses, Haugen empowers healthcare professionals to enhance their skills, advance their careers, and improve patient outcomes.

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About CAHIIM

The Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education is a recognized leader in accreditation for various higher education programs, dedicated to ensuring academic excellence and workforce readiness in these rapidly evolving fields.

About Haugen Consulting Group

Haugen Consulting Group provides innovative education, auditing services, and business solutions to help the healthcare industry improve data accuracy and integrity, leading to better experiences for patients, organizations, and their employees.

Our team of industry experts is passionate about client relationships, driven by collaboration and creativity, and committed to delivering education and integrated solutions that support our clients' needs and desire for constant improvement.