



**2011 AHIMA Triumph Award Nominees
Submitted for Consideration from South Carolina**

Triumph Award: Literary Legacy
Nominee & Winner: Jean Clark, RHIA, CSHA

Nomination Summary:

“As students, we are “raised” on a of core HIM texts – Huffman, Abdehlak, Johns. Their well-respected content provide for us a home-base when we have practice questions that challenge us to “return to our roots” of HIM. While technology and standards change, the basis of HIM theory really does not, and the references provide foundation to reaffirm our knowledge base.

However, in professional practice, we find that our daily work happens in millions of colors – all, unfortunately, shades of gray. When we seek guidance, we often go to a mentor. From a reference perspective, while core texts are a must in any practitioner’s library, we find that practical guides, sample tools, and other tangible resources are also welcome team members when searching for solutions or creative inspiration to find a solution to a practice challenge.

As one of our most well-versed and respected HIM professionals, Jean Clark successfully published numerous HIM practice books (three in 2010 alone), serving effectively as our “mentor on the shelf”. Her *Ongoing Record Review* and *Joint Commission Information Management* books have been published in multiple editions, continuing to be a staple on most HIM Director’s bookshelves. She developed the popular *HIM Director’s Handbook*, and authored two additional *HIM Director’s Guides* related to both ICD-10 and RAC. Trusted guidance from a trusted mentor.”

Jean Clark was presented with the Triumph Award: Literary Legacy during the 2011 AHIMA Annual Convention & Exhibit in Salt Lake City, Utah in October 2011. Congratulations!

Additional South Carolina 2011 Nominees:

Triumph Award: Educator
Nominee Name: Natalie Sartori, M.Ed, RHIA
Nominated By: Dr. Martha Hanks, DDS

Triumph Award: Mentor
Nominee Name: Elizabeth Stewart, RHIA, CCS, CRCA
Nominated By: Ms. Wanda Puryear, RHIT