71 New CIIPs Added in September…

Recent ABII Exam Raises Number of Certified Imaging Informatics Professionals to 612

(October 13, 2010) — The growing importance of imaging informatics has generated increasing demand for certification of the radiologic technology and information technology professionals working in the field, and the American Board of Imaging Informatics (ABII) has been responding to the need.

With eight administrations of the ABII exam since its June 2007 debut, 612 individuals have earned the CIIP (Certified Imaging Informatics Professional) designation. Seventy-one CIIPs joined the ranks following the most recent exam administration on September 24, 2010.

The next administration is scheduled for March 25, 2011. Deadline for applications is January 20, 2011.

The ABII exam assesses candidates in several key areas of knowledge, with image management and information technology comprising about one-third of the 150 items. Remaining questions focus on operations, communications, systems management, clinical engineering, medical informatics, procurement, project management, and training and education.

The Board of Trustees of the American Board of Imaging Informatics (ABII), along with its two appointing organizations — the Society for Imaging Informatics in Medicine (SIIM) and the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) — extend their congratulations to those who have earned the CIIP designation. "Certification is a mark of excellence," notes Board Chair Paul G. Nagy, Ph.D., CIIP, "and demonstrates that the individual has the knowledge to assure the quality of products and services."

A directory of CIIPs is available at www.abii.org.

Eligibility to take the examination to gain certification as a CIIP is based on a point system that encompasses the categories of experience, formal education, and credentials/continuing education (CE). Candidates must have at least seven total points and meet all minimum criteria, as outlined in the Experience/Education section of www.abii.org. Employers who are responsible for hiring PACS administrators, and individuals who work in imaging informatics and are interested in the ABII credential, should visit www.abii.org for more information.

About ABII…
The American Board of Imaging Informatics was founded in 2007 by the Society for Imaging Informatics in Medicine (SIIM) and the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). An independent, non-profit organization, ABII's mission is to enhance patient care, professionalism, and competence in imaging informatics. ABII created and manages the Imaging Informatics Professional (IIP) certification program and awards the Certified Imaging Informatics Professional (CIIP) designation to qualified candidates.

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