



# Time Line of Accomplishments—2009

ASSOCIATION FOR HEALTHCARE  
DOCUMENTATION INTEGRITY (AHD I)

*“Satisfaction does not  
come with achievement  
but with effort. Full  
effort is full victory.”*

*Mahatma Gandhi*

## Quarter 1

- Launched a successful advocacy engagement campaign around the meaningful use definition for EHRs.
- Created first-ever Visually Impaired Transcriptionists Alliance (VITA).
- Kicked off a year-long commitment to *Live Green. Work Green* - to reduce our carbon foot print through all programmatic and operational areas of the organization.
- Announced AHDI on Facebook—launched AHDI Fan page.

## Quarter 2

- Partnered with MTIA to host a Quality Assurance Summit in Louisville, KY, to address metrics and standards around measuring quality in the healthcare documentation sector.
- Supported the Arbor Day Foundation as our annual philanthropy project.
- Launched our new RMT Recredentialing Online Course.
- Hosted 4th Annual Advocacy Summit in Washington, DC—over 120 legislative appointments held by member advocates on Capitol Hill.
- Partnered with MTIA to hire the Dewey Square Group, a national lobbying firm, to promote the role of our sector on the national healthcare landscape.
- Garnered critical support from MTIA in support of a credentialed workforce—MTIA releases supportive position statement urging industry employers to adopt preferential hiring practices for credentialed MTs.
- Submitted joint statement with MTIA on “Meaningful Use” to the Department of Health and Human Services.

## Quarter 3

- Created a joint AHDI-MTIA Compliance Advisory Council to address ethical best practices for the healthcare documentation sector.
- Integrated *Personify*, AHDI’s robust new association management platform—designed to create value-add operational efficiencies and benefits to AHDI members, customers, and partners.
- Launched the MedQuist Program, offering benefits package to 10,000 employees for professional development.
- Hosted 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention & Expo in Nashville, TN,.
- Announced *Power of 10* national campaign to support advocacy efforts on behalf of the industry.
- Debuted the *AHDI Lounge*—discussion blog designed to engage members/guests in industry dialogue.
- Achieved highest-ever number of credentialed healthcare documentation professionals in AAMT/AHDI history.
- Hit 1000 AHDI Fans on FaceBook!

## Quarter 4

- Rolled out *Speech Recognition Editing Course* with industry partners TRSi and 3M
- Formed Alliance with Verizon Business to form Digital Highway project
- *Health Story Project* implemented guides published for H&Ps, consultations, operative reports, and diagnostic radiology reports; guide for discharge summaries currently under ballot.
- Reached near-record total of 10,000 AHDI members through innovative legacy programs and Benchmark