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Bob Harvey Wins 2009 AHDI Lifetime Achievement Award

GREENBORO, North Carolina (August 12, 2009)- On August 1, 2009, the Association for Healthcare Documentation Integrity honored TRSi President Bob Harvey, a high-integrity industry contributor, with the Lifetime Achievement Award. This honor was given to him at the red carpet awards ceremony which concluded the 2009 AHDI convention in Nashville, TN.

“To be recognized first of all by an association that I passionately believe in because of what they stand for and how vital they are for this industry is humbling,” Harvey says.

He goes on to say that “the fact that this award is referred to an 'integrity award' is a validation of the many people at TRS, LLC that have likewise contributed and I as a member of THAT team accept the award in honor of them!”

Harvey has been a tremendous supporter of medical transcriptionists and AHDI over the past 15 years and has strongly encouraged his employees and colleagues to be involved in their professional associations and become credentialed. His active leadership and involvement in the industry has been evident over the years as he has actively participated in leadership development of MTs by sponsoring events at the AHDI annual convention as well as other venues.

“He created an educational institute that helps develop the next generation of medical language specialists and made sure that this school not only used AHDI approved curriculum, but also made sure that it was DoD approved and available to military spouses, as it is a profession that can move wherever their military husbands need to go,” says AHDI President Susan Lucci.

Harvey put in years of research and dedication to develop TRS Institute, an international medical transcription training institute, into the accredited and well-received school that it is today. Transcriptionists who trained with TRS Institute have glowing reviews of the treatment and care that they received while students at TRSi. Harvey has ensured that his employees had access to options for continuing education and the best tools for their profession and has refused to settle at anything less.

Additionally, Harvey has been an integral part of the industry’s advocacy efforts in Washington, D.C. each year. His organization always has the largest amount of participants making congressional appointments on Capitol Hill and working with legislators to affect change and reform in legislation dealing with documentation in healthcare.

As healthcare reform presses on, Harvey is continuing to help prepare healthcare documentation professionals for their role in this evolving arena. Speech recognition technology is becoming much more prevalent and this is his current area of focus. In fact, TRS Institute has recently partnered with AHDI and 3M to develop the first ever AHDI-approved course in Speech Recognition Editing, scheduled to launch this fall.

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Lucci also states that “when you think of lifetime achievement, the name Bob Harvey seems to resonate with the very essence of what is intended in a recognition of this kind. Bob has inspired many to achieve success beyond their own imagination and it is this type of leadership development that very few have achieved in their career. Undoubtedly there is much more for Bob to do in this sector and for those of us who are amazed at what he has already done, it will be exciting to see what is next for Bob Harvey!”

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