

Tribute to Excellence

During the November 9, 2022, Virtual General Assembly, VGA, I had the great personal and professional pleasure of awarding the first ever IFHIMA Tribute to Excellence Award to Margaret Skurka. Margaret will receive a complimentary registration to the 20th Congress in Brisbane as recognition of this award.

Margaret is well known to many through her tireless work as an educator, Past President of IFHIMA and AHIMA, 12 years on the IFHIMA Board, and 10+ years as the IFHIMA representative to WHO FIC EIC and MBRG.

The illustrative quotes below are just the tip of the iceberg in validating the depth of Margaret's dedication, professionalism, collegial spirit, and commitment to global HIM.

Lorraine Fernandes, RHIA
IFHIMA President 2019-2022



Tribute to Excellence-Margaret Skurka, MS, RHIA, FAHIMA

- "Margaret, a first generation American and multilingual, has a unique blend of national and international perspectives, which made her extremely effective as an IFHIMA volunteer . . her dedication to the global profession is unparalleled." Mary Stanfill, IFHIMA rep to WHO FIC EIC and MBRG
- "Margaret expanded the boundaries of HIM and strengthened the world community of HIM at a very critical time. . Margaret was a tireless ambassador for IFHIMA." Linda Kloss, MS, RHIA, FAHIMA
- "In 2018 Margaret suggested I provide some privacy expertise to "an article" for IFHIMA .and the next thing I knew I was on a workgroup writing a whitepaper . . . While Margaret was not intricately involved in any of this, she is the pebble that started the ripple in the IFHIMA pond for me and others."
- Dorinda Sattler, MJ, RHIA, CPHS, CPHRM

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