



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, professional medical coders provide invaluable support to physicians, clinics, hospitals, insurance companies, government agencies and patients; and

WHEREAS, codes exist for every type of service, treatment and procedure provided in a medical setting; and

WHEREAS, in addition to communicating effectively with members of the medical community, medical coders read physicians' reports, determine the reason for each service and assign procedural, diagnosis, and supply codes; and

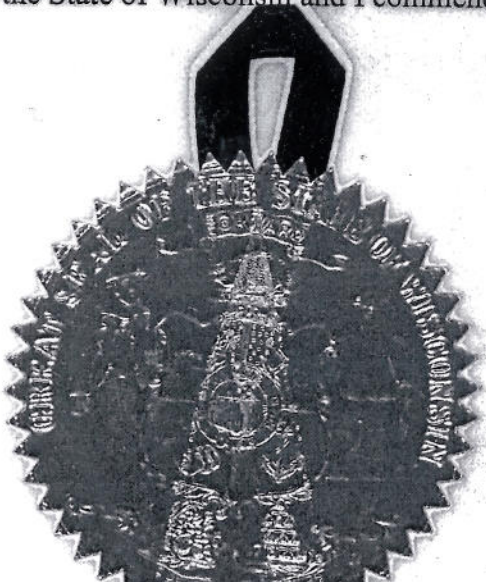
WHEREAS, by supplying an accurate description of each service and submitting the proper documentation to insurance companies and federal agencies, medical coders help their employers decrease the cost of medical care to the community.

WHEREAS, for the year 2003 the Madison Chapter of the American Academy of Professional Coders was named chapter of the year, which is not only a national event but does have international affiliations. The Milwaukee Chapter was named second in the nation for new members added;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Doyle, Governor of the State of Wisconsin do hereby proclaim September 2, 2004

PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CODERS DAY

in the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all citizens



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this twenty-ninth day of June in the year two thousand four.


JIM DOYLE