

AHIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE
August 24-28, 2026
Virtual

PRESENTATION SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

REQUIREMENTS

To be considered for selection to present at the 2026 AHIA Annual Conference, presentation proposals will only be accepted through the Presentation Portal – [CLICK HERE](#). All proposals will be reviewed by AHIA's Annual Conference Committee and additional information may be requested. AHIA reserves the right to edit session elements for grammatical style, length, and clarity. In submitting a presentation, presenters agree to such editing.

2026 ANNUAL CONFERENCE THEME

New Horizons: The Future of Healthcare Internal Auditing

SUBMISSION DEADLINE & NOTIFICATION

Presentation proposals must be received by Friday, February 6, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time.

Early submissions are greatly appreciated. Be sure to review and complete the entire online submission form before submitting your presentation, as there are several pieces of information required.

Presentations will be selected by AHIA's Annual Conference Committee based on their merit and value of the educational content to attendees. Presenters will be notified approximately two months after the submission deadline if their session is selected or not selected for the annual conference.

All sessions must be educational and free from promotion or marketing. All presenters must register for the AHIA Annual Conference and present live in the virtual format during their assigned session. Presenters should use the official conference PowerPoint template and provide a copy of their slide deck by July 10.

PRESENTER BENEFITS

AHIA Members will receive one complimentary main conference registration for presenting one or more sessions.

Non-Members will receive a 50% discount on main conference registration for presenting one or more sessions.

Main conference registration does not include pre-/post-conference sessions or workshops. The speaker's benefit is applicable only to the primary presenter.

SESSION TYPES

Conference presentation options include:

- 2 hour deep dive workshops (will be held pre or post main conference 8/24 or 8/28)
- 1 hour breakout session presentations (during main conference 8/25-8/27)
- 1 hour panel discussions (throughout conference, depending on topic)

Each session should include an informative presentation of the topic, practical applications and take-aways, and time for Q&A (recommended 5-10 minutes). Presentations should focus on internal audit or compliance subjects specific to healthcare.

TRACK DESCRIPTIONS

Core Audit Skills	<p>The Core Audit Skills track includes topics that will supplement the "auditor's toolkit" with fundamental audits and audit tools from a healthcare perspective.</p> <p>Sessions will walk through the audit life cycle, risk assessment techniques, information gathering, audit execution tips and tricks, and reports that get results.</p>
Care Settings & Healthcare Operations	<p>The Care Settings & Healthcare Operations track includes topics that are directly related to clinical quality and healthcare operational performance.</p> <p>Healthcare reform legislation has increased the number of issues which hospital executives are addressing. Sessions will help healthcare professionals better understand those issues so they can help guide their organizations.</p>
Compliance	<p>The Compliance track includes topics that focus on increasing the healthcare auditor's understanding of compliance risk areas.</p> <p>Healthcare audit professionals will improve their skills in developing risk-based compliance audit plans, evaluating key compliance risk areas, and identifying control improvements.</p>
IT/Security	<p>The Information Technology (IT)/Security track includes topics that meet the needs of both the IT auditor and auditors wanting to learn more about auditing IT.</p> <p>Sessions cover IT hot topics in the healthcare industry by offering technical sessions on IT specific risks and controls as well as sessions on broader IT topics that will increase understanding for healthcare professionals.</p>

Revenue Cycle & Health Plans	<p>The Revenue Cycle & Health Plans track includes topics across the entire revenue cycle from charge capture to collections and health plan operations and related compliance challenges.</p> <p>Sessions vary from introductory to specialized information on specific areas of the revenue cycle or provide greater understanding of the payer environment which will enhance your ability to perform effective and efficient health plan audits.</p>
Emerging/Advanced Topics	<p>The Emerging/Advanced Topics track includes topics that are relevant due to current events or trends that impact healthcare or provide experienced internal audit practitioners' ideas on how to keep ahead of emerging risks, enhance governance, integrate technology, develop talent, and enhance the perceived value of the internal audit and compliance functions.</p> <p>Sessions will increase your healthcare knowledge base by zeroing in on specialty topics and issues.</p>

NASBA FIELD OF STUDY

To assist you with selecting the NASBA Field of Study for your proposal submission, please refer to [NASBA's Field of Study Requirements guidelines](#) prior to making your Field of Study selection within the submission site.

AHIA BODY OF KNOWLEDGE

To assist you with selecting the AHIA Body of Knowledge for your proposal submission, please refer to the [CHIAP Candidate Handbook - Section 10 Exam Content](#) prior to making your AHIA Body of Knowledge selection within the submission site.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit ahia.org for more information about the 2026 AHIA Annual Conference. Questions can be directed to Renee Wolf, AHIA Meeting Manager, at info@ahia.org