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## Massachusetts IMIA Chapter

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**Participants:**

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Izabel shared on IMIA 2010 Activities:

## 2010 IMIA Activity Report

1. **IMIA Discussion List Serve** – launched 3/19/10 - all members can communicate freely on any topic with each other
2. **First National Symposium of Medical Interpreter Trainers**, June 12, 2010 in New Jersey, see <http://www.imiaweb.org/conferences/2010TrainersSympReg.asp> (all presentations posted)
3. **First National Code of Ethics for Interpreter Educators** released on June 12, after 1 year open review period, see <http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/pages/492.doc>
4. **IMIA Launches 4 other new publications:**  
*IMIA Guide on Working with Interpreters* [http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/pages/380\\_5.pdf](http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/pages/380_5.pdf)  
*Top Ten Reasons to Hire a Staff Interpreter* [http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/pages/380\\_3.pdf](http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/pages/380_3.pdf)  
*IMIA Guide on Ethical Conduct for Medical Interpreters*  
[http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/pages/380\\_4.pdf](http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/pages/380_4.pdf)
5. **IMIA Position Paper on National Certification**  
<http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/home/1.pdf>
6. Ongoing preparations for **Annual IMIA Conference on Medical Interpreting**, see <http://www.imiaweb.org/conferences/2010conference.asp>
7. Translation of **Medical Interpreting Standards of Practice** into other languages (currently being translated into Portuguese, Korean, and Hebrew) as we are disseminating these in other countries, see <http://www.imiaweb.org/standards/standards.asp>
8. Started development of **National Accreditation Program** for Medical Interpreter Training Organizations.  
[http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/pages/533\\_6.ppt](http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/pages/533_6.ppt)
9. **National CEU Program for Medical Interpreters launched in 2010!**

<http://www.imiaweb.org/education/ceuprogram.asp>

10. **National Disaster Database launched after Haiti Disaster**  
<http://www.imiaweb.org/basic/disaster-relief.asp>
11. **National Training Directory expanded** - only online directory on interpreter training, searchable by state, country, language or training category (academic, intensive, continuing education, online, other) <http://www.imiaweb.org/education/trainingnotices.asp>
12. **Expansion of State and International Representatives Initiative**  
<http://www.imiaweb.org/states/default.asp> & <http://www.imiaweb.org/countries/default.asp>
13. **IMIA Survey on Minimal Qualifications for Interpreter Educators**,  
<http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/pages/580.pdf> &  
[http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/pages/580\\_2.pdf](http://www.imiaweb.org/uploads/pages/580_2.pdf)
14. **IMIA Fifth Annual Salary Survey for Medical Interpreters**, see  
<http://guest.cvent.com/SURVEYS/Welcome.aspx?s=e4e04b3c-f72a-454c-94c2-d7bf6dd01579>
15. **IMIA 2010 Conference had 521 Attendees!**  
<http://www.imiaweb.org/conferences/2010presentations.asp> (All presentations posted)
16. **IMIA Participates in over 12 Conferences and visits DC officials** on 7 occasions in 2010 to advocate for recognition and reimbursement of medical interpreters