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Dear IMIA certified members,

Are you a certified interpreter? Does your profile list you as a certified interpreter? All IMIA members who are CHI, CMI, and RID certified are automatically part of the Certified Interpreters (CI) Division.

The IMIA Certified Interpreters (CI) Division was created with the purpose of incorporating IMIA members who hold the CHI or CMI credentials as well as those certified by the RID, to work together under one roof to promote certification as key to professionalization.

CI Division Goals:

- To provide opportunities for networking and sharing of updated information, guidelines, or regulations that can benefit members in their careers.
- To identify interpreting training and professional enrichment resources in the US and abroad. This will help certified interpreters to earn their required annual continuing education units.
- To be the sounding board for all certified interpreters in healthcare; their passion about the profession and their ideas to boost national and international efforts for more recognition.

The group is open to new ideas and proposals to improve the content of the website and your expectations of this Division. We are in the process of recruiting a Vice Chair and a Secretary for the division, and we would like to extend an invitation to consider any of these two posts.

Also, I will attend the Annual Trainers & Administrators Symposia (September 6-8) in Durham, NC, and it will be a great opportunity to meet all of you face to face there. We will have a dedicated session for the development of this division on the calendar. We look forward to hearing from you. Please email any suggestions, topics, or content that you would like to see addressed by this group and its website to the following e-mail address:

Please accept my best regards,

Mohamad Anwar, CHI, M. Sc. Chair, Certified Interpreter Division CIDivision@imiaweb.org

PS. Please go to your profile to make sure that you are listed as a certified interpreter. If you are not, go to members > profile > then check YES on the certification question.