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## Reminders

### 2020 HIPAA/OSHA/BLS TRAINING

Get your 2020 HIPAA, mandatory OSHA, & BLS training scheduled with MSD Compliance Coordinator Dwayne Downs at 302-366-1023.

### MSD CORONAVIRUS RESOURCES

Please visit our MSD Coronavirus Resource page for continued updated guidance on COVID-19 at <https://tinyurl.com/MSDCOVID19>

### MSD IS ON FACEBOOK

"Like" the Medical Society of Delaware Facebook page for informative posts, pictures and events. Like & Follow us at: <https://www.facebook.com/MedicalSocietyofDelaware/> or [@medicalsocietyofdelaware](mailto:@medicalsocietyofdelaware) and turn on your notifications.

### MSD MEMBERS RECEIVE DISCOUNTS ON SERVICES

See list of Affinity Partners at <http://tinyurl.com/affinitypartners>

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## COVID-19 Prevention Reminders

MSD reminds our members that COVID-19 positive cases are on the rise in Delaware. You are encouraged to stay vigilant and continue to take precautions and follow COVID-19 protocols put into place by Governor Carney, Delaware DPH and the CDC. It's important for staff and patients to continue wearing face masks and practice social distancing whenever possible. Continue taking patient's temperature before entering your practice as well as surveying patients for COVID-19 symptoms. MSD offers "Resuming Your Medical Practice" at <https://tinyurl.com/MSDGuide>. For an MSD PSA on COVID-19, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/MSDPSACVD>.

## COVID-19 Vaccine: Find Out How to Prepare

Get ready to administer the COVID-19 vaccine when it's available. Read the enrollment section of the Medicare COVID-19 provider toolkit to see if you need to take action now. Many Medicare-enrolled clinicians don't have to take any action until a vaccine is available, but check to make sure your provider-type enrollment is all set. Some Medicare-enrolled clinicians must also separately enroll as a mass immunizer to administer and bill for COVID-19 vaccines when they're available. For more information and to view the toolkit, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/MLNNetwork>.

## DE Public Health Officials Confirm First Flu Case of The 2020-2021 Season

The Delaware Division of Public Health announced the state's first laboratory-confirmed case of influenza for the 2020-2021 flu season. The case, which also marks Delaware's first pediatric case of the season, involves a child under the age of 5 from Kent County. For more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/DELFLU20-21>.

## Tell Congress to Support Telehealth Bill H.R.8727/S.4375

Recently, bipartisan legislation was introduced in both the House and Senate to make the expanded access to telehealth services permanent. The Telehealth Modernization Act of 2020 (H.R. 8727/S. 4375) would lift the rural-only restriction and add any site where a patient is located as a potential originating site. Please contact your Senators and member of Congress and ask them to support The Telehealth Modernization Act of 2020! Visit <https://tinyurl.com/AMATMA20>.

## Health Care Relief Fund Application

The Health Care Relief Fund is implemented by the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) with support from the U.S. Department of the Treasury. This \$100 million fund is intended to alleviate some of the financial stressors caused by the COVID-19 pandemic on the health care industry. Applicants can request funds to reimburse for purchased COVID-19 related items and services, as long as they comply with the U.S. Dept. of the Treasury guidance and could include webcams, HIPAA compliant telehealth platforms, tablets, PPE, testing, HVAC upgrades, etc. To access the application visit <https://tinyurl.com/HCRFApp1>. For questions contact [DHSS\\_CaresQuestions@delaware.gov](mailto:DHSS_CaresQuestions@delaware.gov).

## MSD's Annual Meeting Has Gone Virtual!

The Medical Society of Delaware's 2020 Virtual Annual Meeting & Educational Program week will be held **Tuesday, November 17th – Thursday, November 19th**. This year's MSD Educational Program promises to be informative and timely, focusing on *Medical Implications of Climate Change*. Speakers include: Mona Sarfaty, MD, MPH, FAAFP, Director of the Program for Climate and Health, Center for Climate Change Communication at George Mason University and Associate Professor of Family Medicine, Thomas Jefferson University, will present on *A Physician's Response to Climate Change*. Caleb Dresser, MD, 2019-2021 Climate and Human Health Fellow at the FXB Center for Health and Human Rights at Harvard University, will present on *Clinical Implications of Climate Change in the Mid-Atlantic Region*. For more information and to register, please visit <https://reg.planetreg.com/2020AnnualMeeting>. Zoom Meeting details have been sent via email to anyone who has pre-registered. For questions contact [Mary.LaJudice@medsocdel.org](mailto:Mary.LaJudice@medsocdel.org) or (302) 593-8589 (cell).

**Upcoming Webinars: The following activities have been approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™**  
**Dec. 2 - SAVE THE DATE: E/M Fundamentals: Steps to Prepare for the Coming Changes in 2021**  
12:00 - 1:00 p.m., virtual event.  
**Dec. 17 - SAVE THE DATE: Emotional Well-Being Over the Holidays**, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m., virtual event.