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Reminders

2020 HIPAA/OSHA/BLS TRAININGGet 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

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Abbott BinaxNOW Antigen Tests Available

The Department of Health and Human Services has committed to sending 290,000 Abbott BinaxNOW COVID-19 point of care antigen tests to Delaware. The rapid point of care tests, which can diagnose coronavirus infection in as little as fifteen minutes, are being distributed by the State to support Delaware's testing strategy, beginning with increasing access to testing for K-12 students. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/DPHCVD19.

Malpractice Claims Landscape Post COVID-19 - Webinar

Please join us for the next Practice Management Education lunchtime webinar on Thursday, November 12 from 12:00 – 1:00 pm. This session, *Malpractice Claims Landscape Post COVID-19*, presented by Jason Newton of Curi and Colleen Shields, Esq., will focus on where immunity has been bestowed and how it will affect claims, risks of continuing telehealth for medically complicated patients, and more. To register visit https://reg.planetreg.com/MSDPMSWebinar.

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", focusing on physician and patient impact, fossil fuel emissions, and addressing 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," focusing on clinical impacts of heat, hurricanes, extreme precipitation, and vibrio/toxic algae. The Medical Society of Delaware designates this live education program activity for a maximum of 1.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits TM. For more information and to register please visit https://reg.planetreg.com/2020AnnualMeeting. Zoom Meeting details have been sent via email to all those who have pre-registered by the registration deadline for events taking place during Annual Meeting Week. If you have not received details to join any of the events for which you have registered, contact Mary.LaJudice@medsocdel.org or (302) 593-8589 (cell).

AMA Statement to Ongoing Attacks on Physicians Treating COVID Patients

American Medical Association President, Susan R. Bailey, MD, published the following state: "Throughout this pandemic, physicians, nurses, and frontline health care workers have risked their health, their safety and their lives to treat their patients and defeat a deadly virus. They did it because duty called and because of the sacred oath they took. The suggestion that doctors—in the midst of a public health crisis—are over counting COVID-19 patients or lying to line their pockets is a malicious, outrageous, and completely misguided charge. COVID-19 cases are at record highs today. Rather than attacking and lobbing baseless charges at physicians, our leaders should be following the science and urging adherence to the public health steps we know work: wearing a mask, washing hands and practicing physical distancing." Visit, https://tinyurl.com/AMASTMM.

CMS Delays Mandatory Radiation Oncology APM

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced it will delay the start date of the Radiation Oncology alternative payment model (APM) from Jan. 1, 2021, until July 1, 2021, based on feedback from Medical Group Management Association and other radiation oncology stakeholders. The Radiation Oncology Model is a mandatory model that tests whether changing the way radiotherapy (RT) services are currently paid via fee-for-service payments – to prospective, site neutral, modality agnostic, episode-based payments incentivizes physicians to deliver higher-value RT care. For more information https://tinyurl.com/CMSAPMRA.

2021 Federal Health Insurance Exchange Open Enrollment Period

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is announcing that the Open Enrollment Period for the Federal Health Insurance Exchange will officially begin at HealthCare.gov on Sunday, November 1 and will run through Tuesday, December 15. Consumers will be able to log in to www.HealthCare.gov and www.CuidadodeSalud.gov or call 1-800-318-2596 to enroll in a 2021 Exchange health plan for coverage starting as soon as January 1, 2021.