What are you doing on November 23rd? 
Join your colleagues and attend MSD's 230th Annual Meeting & Education Sessions where AMA President Patrice A. Harris, MD, MA will bring greetings from the AMA. This year's Educational Sessions focus on "Physician Resilience: How YOU Can.. Get Well, Be Well, Stay Well."

Then get ready for a night of fun at the 2019
Inaugural Gala starting at 6:00 p.m. at Deerfield in Newark. Put on your fancy clothes and your dancing shoes and come experience a night you won't forget, celebrating Joseph J. Straight, MD as MSD's 176th President, as well as all of MSD's newly elected officers. Registration closes tonight (Friday, Nov. 15, 2019). Register for MSD Annual Meeting & Gala.

**MSD Council Handbook Available Online**

*Valuable Information for Annual Meeting*

The 2019 MSD Council Handbook is now available online in advance of the November 23rd Annual Meeting. This handbook contains all the official meeting materials, including committee reports, resolutions, foundation reports, and holding company reports. Please take a few minutes to review the contents. Read handbook.

**CMS Announces Price Transparency Rules**

*New Rules for 2020 - What You Should Know*

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has issued two rules to increase price transparency to empower patients and increase competition among all hospitals, group health plans, and health insurance issuers in the individual and group markets. The first rule is the Calendar Year (CY) 2020 Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) & Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) Price Transparency Requirements for Hospitals to Make Standard Charges Public Final Rule. The second rule is the Transparency in Coverage Proposed Rule. Both the final and proposed rules require that pricing information be made publicly available. Read more.

MSD Docs Take "Healthy Living" to School

Healthy Living Week Talks a Huge Success!
The MSD School Health Subcommittee completed another successful and well-received Healthy Living Week. All week, committee members gave informative and topical presentations to 7th grade students in 16 schools in seven school districts! This year focused on "Brain Health, Physical Health, and Social Health." The presentations highlighted such issues as depression, concussions, healthy weight, healthy food, exercise, social media health, street drugs, prescription drugs, tobacco, e-cigarettes, and sex. Thank you to the School Health Subcommittee members headed by Jayshree Tailor, MD and all our presenting member physicians as well as Stephen Kushner, DO and the OBVIOUS Campaign!

Get Your Experience Published!

Delaware Medical Journal Accepting Articles

The Medical Society of Delaware is actively looking for scientific
and educational articles for publication in the *Delaware Medical Journal*. These articles can be case reports, clinical experiences, observations, and information on matters relevant to the practice of medicine. Have something remarkable to share? Submit an article and make your mark in your profession by getting your experience published. For more information contact Mary Fenimore at 302-366-1074 or Mary.Fenimore@medsocdel.org. Read author instructions.

**Give Your Staff Necessary HIPAA & OSHA Training**

*MSD Offering In-Person Training at Your Convenience*

The Medical Society of Delaware offers in-person HIPAA & mandatory OSHA training to MSD members and their staff. MSD's Compliance Coordinator Dwayne Downs will provide live training at your practice. If you or your staff has not yet scheduled the 2019 mandatory training, please contact Dwayne at 302-366-1023 or dwayne.downs@medsocdel.org to set up a training session.

**Practice Management & Education Session**
Registration is now open for the next Practice Management & Education Session, *2020 Insurance Payers Workshop*, **Tuesday, January 14th** from 8:00 - 11:00 am, at the MSD Conference Center in Newark with video conferencing to Bayhealth Hospital, Kent General Campus. Representatives from Aetna, AmeriHealth Caritas, Cigna, CMS, Highmark Delaware, Highmark Health Options, and United Healthcare will present on the latest changes and updates that will affect your practice and patients' health insurance plans for the upcoming year. [For more information.]

**Give the Gift of Warmth - Winter Drive**

*Help Make the Holidays Warm for Those in Need*

MSD is collecting new and gently used socks, hats, and gloves for infants, children, and adults to be donated to the Ministry of Caring, a community-based
nonprofit charity in Wilmington. A donation box will be located at the Medical Society of Delaware in the main entrance area. Items will be collected from 11/23/2019 - 12/6/2019. Thank you in advance for your donation and generosity. Read about Ministry of Caring.

Pending Members

Tony Anene-Maidoh, MD  
Hersh Patel, MD

MSD members are afforded a 7 day review period from the date of this publication to comment regarding an applicant applying for membership. Please contact Mary LaJudice at (302) 224-5183 or Mary.LaJudice@medsocdel.org with any questions or concerns.

"Rerum Cognoscere"

The Latin phrase *Rerum Cognoscere* translates to learn, examine, or become aware of facts or things. In this section we highlight measurable items of interest in health care from MSD, Delaware, the US, and the world.

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Assoc. of American Medical Colleges

Upcoming Events

Nov. 23 - Medical Society of Delaware's 230th Annual Meeting & Education Sessions, MSD Conference Center, Newark.

Nov. 23 - Medical Society of Delaware's Inaugural Gala, 6:00 p.m., Deerfield, Newark.

Dec. 9 - 2019 Communicable Disease Summit, 7:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m., John H. Ammon Medical Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.

Jan. 14 - 2020 Insurance Payers Workshop, 8:00 - 11:00 a.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark.
Was the information in this newsletter useful? If so, forward to a friend to let them know the value of your Medical Society of Delaware membership.