

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 is located at the Medical Society of Delaware in the main entrance area. Items will be collected through Friday, December 6, 2019. Thank you in advance for your donation and generosity. [Read about Ministry of Caring.](#)

Need a Really "Hot" Reason to Join DELPAC?

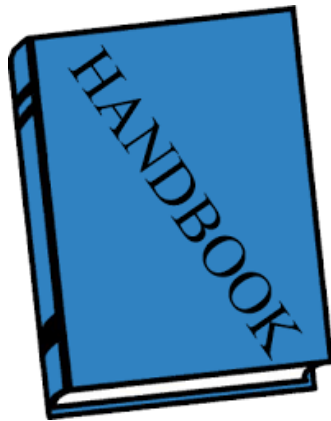
Join DELPAC and Enjoy a Steaming Cup of Coffee and Conversation With Key Legislators



Are you coming to Saturday's MSD Annual Meeting & Educational Sessions? Why not grab a gourmet cup of joe with some of Delaware's esteemed legislators at the Delaware Medical Political Action Committee (DELPAC) Coffee! Prepare to be treated to top tier, specifically tailored gourmet coffees, teas, espressos, lattes, and cappuccinos prepared by DELPAC's amazing barista, all while mixing and mingling with MSD's highly acclaimed political lobbying agency, the Byrd Group, Sen. Bryan Townsend and Rep. David Bentz. This exclusive benefit is ONLY For DELPAC members and will be open from 7:00-11:00 a.m. Want to join the fun? [Join DELPAC now!](#)

MSD Council Handbook Available Online

Valuable Information for Annual Meeting



The 2019 MSD Council Handbook is now available online in advance of this Saturday's 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.](#)

Heath Alert - Tuberculosis Disease

At Risk Delawareans Receiving Notice



The Division of Public Health (DPH) is issuing a health alert regarding notifications being sent to patients who were potentially exposed to someone with tuberculosis (TB) disease. DPH is advising health care professionals that patients may seek care and information once the letter is received. Symptoms of TB include persistent cough lasting three or more weeks, fever, night sweats, weight loss, and fatigue. [Read more.](#)

"State of Lung Cancer" 2019 Report

Delawareans Not Taking Advantage of Lung Screening

The 2nd annual "State of Lung Cancer" report was released by the American Lung



Association. This report compares state rates for lung cancer incidence (new cases), survival, early diagnosis, cases treated surgically, lack of treatment and screening among those eligible, and shows how Delaware and other states can do more to reduce the burden of lung cancer. In Delaware, only 5.5 percent of those at high risk were screened for lung cancer. Despite the low percentage, this is above the national rate of 4.2 percent. [Read report.](#)

AMA Delegates Urge Ban on Vaping Products

MSD Representatives Back Stringent Policy



The American Medical Association's (AMA) House of Delegates, at the Interim Meeting this

week, adopted a policy to urgently push for "regulatory, legislative or legal action at the federal or state levels" to ban the sale and distribution of all e-cigarettes and vaping products. The exception would be for products approved by the Food and Drug Administration for tobacco-cessation purposes and made available by prescription only. MSD was present and actively contributed in policy

discussions at the AMA Interim Meeting. [Read more.](#)

Cannabis Industry Facing Challenging Times

Poor Growth Shows Signs Marijuana Market is Dwindling



Recent earnings reports show significant revenue decreases to several major marijuana companies.

Canopy Growth, the world's largest marijuana company from Canada dropped its market cap from \$24 billion in April to \$7.1 billion last week. MedMen Enterprises, one of the first publicly traded U.S. marijuana companies announced it will be laying off 190 employees, and Canada's Aurora Cannabis, the 2nd largest public cannabis firm by sales reported it's worst trading day in 5 years last week. [Read more.](#)

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.](#)

"*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.

26.1% Delaware's five-year survival rate for lung cancer. American Lung Association	69.9% Percentage rate of new cases of lung cancer per 100,000 Delawareans - above the national average. American Lung Association	5.5% Percentage of Delawareans who are eligible to get the lung cancer screening test and do. American Lung Association
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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.



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