DPH Releases Latest Information on Coronavirus

Information Health Care Professionals Should Know

The Division of Public Health (DPH) is working closely with MSD and other health care organizations to make sure physicians have the current information. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), patients under investigation must meet one of the following categories.

1) Fever AND lower respiratory symptoms + Travel to Wuhan City/Hubei Province, China within 14 days of onset
2) Fever AND lower respiratory symptoms requiring hospitalization + Travel to anywhere in mainland China within 14 days of onset
3) Fever OR lower respiratory symptoms + close contact with a laboratory-confirmed case within 14 days of onset

At this time, the CDC remains the only testing facility for Delaware and will not test if the patient does not meet one of these definitions. Read more. DPH has distributed a flyer for health care professionals to place in their patient areas. View flyer.

MSD Hot Topic CME - Coronavirus

What Health Care Professionals Need to Know
Please join MSD for an important update on the 2019 novel coronavirus on **Wednesday, February 12, 2020** from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m., at the MSD Conference Center. Karyl T. Rattay, MD, Director of Division of Public Health (DPH) and Rick Hong, MD, State Medical Director will present on how the virus is spread, virus symptoms, who is at risk, and prevention and treatment. This activity has been approved for a maximum of 1 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™. Seating is limited. **To register.**

**MSD Signs Joint Opposition Letter to CMS**

**50 Societies Join Opposition to the Medicaid Fiscal Accountability Rule**

MSD along with every state medical society plus the Medical Society of DC and 12 specialty societies signed a letter to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) opposing the Medicaid Fiscal Accountability Rule (MFAR). The letter outlines concerns that the proposed rule would significantly reduce the federal commitment to the Medicaid program, physicians, and patients without appropriate data and a thorough impact analysis. Recently the National Governor's Association submitted a bipartisan letter of opposition. **Read letter.**

**MSD Invites You to "Pubs and Politics"**

*Join Your Colleagues and Hear the Latest Legislative News from Dover*
Get ready for Pubs & Politics!

Interested in politics? Have concerns you want addressed in Dover? Interested in being part of the process in moving legislation?

Join your colleagues for an evening of conversation and delicious food and beverages with key decision makers on issues affecting you and the practice of medicine at the MSD Pubs & Politics event on **Thursday, February 20th**, 5:30-8:30 p.m., at the Painted Stave Distilling in Smyrna. Rep. David Bentz, Rep. Jeffrey Spiegelman, and Rep. William Carson plan to be on hand to answer your questions and listen to your concerns. A tour of the distillery is available to a limited number of participants. Bring a nonmember physician colleague with you! [Register now](#).

### Add Something Valuable to Your Resume

**Physician Leadership Series**

Enrollment in MSD's Physician Leadership Series is now open. This educational series is offered through a convenient "virtual online classroom." You complete the course at your own pace in the comfort of your home or office. Learn how to influence better patient outcomes, optimize operations in your department, and drive change! [To register](#).

### 2019 Health Equity Guide

*Report Highlights Impact of Social Determinants of Health*
The Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH), along with the University of Delaware, has released the second edition of the Health Equity Guide for Public Health Practitioners and Partners. The guide highlights the best available evidence and data to explain the connections between the social determinants of health and good overall health. The report includes current data regarding health status and inequities that currently exist in Delaware and shares new strategies and tools to support practitioners and partners in the implementation of evidenced-based strategies, interventions, and policy considerations. Read more.

Pending Members

M. Lisa Attebery, 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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<td>Homicide is the leading cause of death for pregnant women in Louisiana. Out of 119 deaths, 13.4% were homicides.</td>
<td>Number of veterans who died from suicide every year between 2008 and 2017.</td>
<td>Percentage of women who are students in U.S. medical schools. This is the first time women make up the majority of students.</td>
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2019 National Veterans Suicide Prevention Annual Report

Association of American Medical Colleges
Upcoming Events

Feb 12 - Physician Only Event - MSD Hot Topic Event- 2019 Novel Coronavirus, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark.
Feb 20, 21, 27, 28 - Certified Medical Office Manager Course (CMOM), MSD Conference Center, Newark.
Feb 25 - Frank M. and Robert R. Hoopes Medical/Dental Lecture 2020, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., John H. Ammon Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.

March 7 - 31st Annual Update in Cardiology, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., John H. Ammon Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.
March 14 - 24th Annual Diabetes Update, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., John H. Ammon Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.
March 18 - Campaign for Kids "It's OBVIOUS" presents: Dangers of Vaping, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark.
March 20 - 8th Annual Pharmacology Update, 2020, 7:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m., John H. Ammon Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.
March 26 - Dementia Care 2020: What is Dementia and What New Treatments are in the Work?, 8:00 a.m. - noon, John H. Ammon Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.
March 27 - Fifth Biennial Perinatal Palliative Care Symposium: "Emotional Support and Compassionate Communication," 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., John H. Ammon Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.
March 28 - Living Well with Lupus Seminar, 9:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Wilmington University, New Castle.
April 3 - Inaugural Rheumatology Made Easy Symposium, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., John H. Ammon Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.
April 7 - MSD Hot Topic Event - Physician-Assisted Suicide/Medical Aid In Dying, Pros & Cons, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark.
April 9, 10, 16, 17 - Certified Medical Office Manager Course (CMOM), Eden Hill Medical Center, Dover.
April 29 - Campaign for Kids "It's OBVIOUS" presents: Opioid Epidemic, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark.
May 5 - SAVE THE DATE: 57th Annual William J. Holloway Infectious Disease Symposium, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., John H. Ammon Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.