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Reminders

2020 HIPAA & OSHA TRAINING

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

MSD CORONAVIRUS RESOURCES

Please visit our MSD Coronavirus Resource page for continued updated guidance on COVID-19 at https://tinyurl.com/MSDCOVID19 or contact our MSD Physician Relations team at 302-224-5196

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BE AN MSD HERO - JOIN THE MSD HERO BLOOD DRIVE

Please join the Medical Society of Delaware in donating life-saving blood from now until September 21st. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/MSDBLDDRVE

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Telemedicine Bill Gets Governor's Signature

Governor John Carney signed, via livestream, HS 1 for HB 348, sponsored by Representative David Bentz, which temporarily codifies a number of consumer-friendly provisions developed during COVID-19 that increases access to health care due to expanding telemedicine. These provisions will stay in effect until July 1, 2021. Delaware Insurance Commissioner Trinidad Navarro's office will be issuing a bulletin to Delaware's insurers notifying them of the continued telemedicine requirements. For more information on the bill please visit https://tinyurl.com/TELBILDE.

FDA Expands Hand Sanitizer Recall

The Food and Drug Administration has recently expanded the list of hand sanitizers being recalled to at least 75—some sold at Walmart, Costco and other national chains. The FDA stated toxic levels of wood alcohol in these products can cause injury or death due to an increase in hand sanitizers that are labeled to contain ethyl alcohol, or ethanol, but have tested positive for methanol, or wood alcohol. If methanol is absorbed through the skin, it can cause blindness and hospitalizations, or death if ingested. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/FDARCLSNTZR

Funds Available for COVID-related Support

The Provider Relief Fund Payment Portal is open to eligible Medicaid, CHIP, and dental health care professionals. The portal allows providers to apply for payments made for healthcare-related expenses or lost revenue attributable to COVID-19. Eligible providers may receive a reimbursement up to 2% of their annual reported patient revenue. Newly extended deadline is August 3, 2020. For more information please visit https://tinyurl.com/COVID19SPT.

HHS Publishes Timeline For Provider Relief Fund Reporting Requirements

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) released an overview of future reporting requirements for providers that received payments under the Provider Relief Fund. HHS outlined the timing of future reporting requirements for providers that receive payments exceeding \$10,000 in the aggregate from any Provider Relief Fund distribution (i.e., any payment under the \$50 billion general distribution; Medicaid distribution; or a targeted distribution). The overview does not indicate whether providers that received \$10,000 or less will be subject to any reporting obligations and does not provide detail as to the form or content of reports. For more information please visit https://tinyurl.com/HHSCVD.

Telemedicine Platform Overview by Presence

The Medical Society of Delaware's new preferred partnership with Presence offers medical practices a quick and easy telemedicine solution. The new telemedicine platform is available to MSD members free of charge until August 30, 2020. Presence can be deployed within five minutes, allows patients to self-schedule, permits HIPAA compliant text and email based communications, as well as audio and or video visits. Presence is meant to be used alongside an existing electronic health record system to minimize disruption to the practice. Join us for a FREE webinar July 29th, 12:00 – 1:00 pm to learn more about Presence. For more information and to register visit https://reg.planetreg.com/PEPPresence.

Individual Coverage HRA Plans: A Basic Overview

Recently issued regulation allows employers to offer an individual coverage Health Reimbursement Arrangement (ICHRA) as an alternative to offering a traditional health insurance plan. Through this program, employees can utilize pre-tax dollars to pay for qualified medical expenses, such as monthly premiums and out-of-pocket costs like deductibles and coinsurance. The Medical Society of Delaware Insurance Services, Inc. (MSDIS) is here to help. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Sharon Ruth at sharon.ruth@usi.com or call 302-293-1576.

DHSS Releases Strategic Plan Draft

After 14 months of analysis, employees and stakeholder online surveys, internal and external focus group interviews, and a focus on strengths and weaknesses of current operations by a strategic planning steering committee, the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) has released a draft strategic plan to achieve a goal of focusing on person-centered planning and social determinants of health to better integrate and connect the health of the Delaware residents it serves with other behavioral, environmental, social and policy influences. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/DHSSRpt.