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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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Please join the Medical Society of Delaware by filling out a Hero Card and donating life-saving blood from now until September 21st. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/MSDBLDDRVE

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FDA – Recalls More Hand Sanitizers

FDA advises consumers NOT TO USE Hand Sanitizer Products Manufactured By Eskbiochem. The FDA warns consumers and health care professionals that they are seeing a sharp increase in hand sanitizer products that are labeled to contain ethanol (also known as ethyl alcohol) but have tested positive for methanol contamination. Methanol, or wood alcohol, is a substance that can be toxic when absorbed through the skin or ingested and can be life-threatening when ingested. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/FDARCLHS.

FBI Urges Enterprises to Upgrade Windows 7

The FBI Cyber Division has issued a Private Industry Notification advising enterprises still using Windows 7 within their infrastructure to upgrade to a supported operating system due to the risk of security vulnerabilities in the Windows 7 operating system being exploited. The FBI has observed an increase in cyberattacks on unsupported operating systems once they reach end-of-life status. Any organization that is still using Windows 7 on devices faces an increased risk of cybercriminals exploiting vulnerabilities in the operating system to remotely gain network access. As time passes, Windows 7 becomes more vulnerable to exploitation due to lack of security updates and new vulnerabilities discovered. The Windows 7 operating system reached end-of-life on January 14, 2020 and Microsoft stopped releasing free patches to correct known vulnerabilities. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/FBIWN7.

Practice Management Session - Healthcare Cost Savings Webinar

Mark your calendar for the next Practice Management Education lunchtime webinar on Thursday, August 20th from 12:00 – 1:00 pm for a presentation on Healthcare Cost Savings. This session will be presented by Brian McLaughlin, Market Leader, PA, My Benefit Advisor. For more information and to register visit https://reg.planetreg.com/HCSWebinar.

2021 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Proposed Rule

The proposed rule for the 2021 Medicare physician fee schedule was released on August 3, 2020. The American Medical Association (AMA) has released a summary of key issues. Notably, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) advises that adjustments made to evaluation and management coding and payment policies, plus additional changes, will produce an 11 percent cut in the fee schedule conversion factor to maintain budget neutrality. The AMA's press release on the proposal can be accessed at https://tinyurl.com/AMA21PR. MSD will continue to provide up-to-date information on this important issue.

CMS has scheduled an "Understanding 4 Key Topics" listening session on Thursday, August 13th from 1:30pm – 3:00pm EST. During the session, CMS experts will briefly cover provisions from the proposed rule and address your questions. For more information, please visit https://blh.ier.intercall.com/.

AMA Launches #MaskUP Campaign

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues impacting our nation, the American Medical Association is launching the #MaskUp public health campaign focused on mitigating the virus, specifically encouraging the public to wear masks. It also debunks myths and misconceptions around mask usage and equips physicians with simple tools to help patients understand their risks for transmission. To participate, fill out this contact form and participation pledge http://cloud.e.amaassn.org/maskup. The information will be collected on this form to email campaign-related communications, including ways to easily participate.

Premier Educational Partner Spotlight – Diamond State Financial Group

Premier Educational Partners have joined with the Medical Society of Delaware in supporting high quality professional medical education for Delaware physicians and other health care professionals to advance the health and well-being of Delaware's citizens. Diamond State Financial Group (DSFG) provides customized solutions to assist you in reaching your financial goals. DSFG offers a comprehensive line of products and services and can assist with such needs as college funding, retirement or estate planning, as well as enrollment in MSD's group 401(k) plan. DSFG is committed to helping you accomplish your long-term financial objectives. For more information on Diamond State Financial Group please visit: http://www.dsfg.com/