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### Reminder Mandatory Reporting Training for Medical Professionals

To renew your Medical license, you will be required to attest that you have completed mandatory training required by Delaware law on how to recognize child sexual and physical abuse, exploitation and domestic violence, and your reporting obligations under the Medical Practice Act and 16 Del. C. §903. The mandatory training is required by Section 1723 of the Medical Practice Act, effective August 1, 2010. It applies to everyone licensed by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline. To register for training, please visit: [https://tinyurl.com/MandatoryTrainingMP](https://tinyurl.com/MandatoryTrainingMP).

### 2019 Insurance Payers Workshop

**REGISTRATION CLOSING SOON...** Learn the latest on changes and updates by insurance payers for 2019 at the MSD Practice Management & Leadership Education Session: 2019 Insurance Payers Workshop. The session will be held on Tuesday, January 15th from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. at the MSD Conference Center in Newark with video conferencing to Bayhealth Hospital, Kent General Campus. Representatives of Aetna, AmeriHealth Caritas, Highmark, United Healthcare, and CMS will be on hand to answer questions. To register visit: [https://reg.planetReg.com/2019IPW](https://reg.planetReg.com/2019IPW).

### MSD Physician Leadership Series

The Medical Society of Delaware has launched the "Excellence in Physician Leadership Series, A Certificate Program in Leadership Development" as a 12-week self-paced certificate program in physician leadership education and development which includes attendance at two required live sessions. This program will share the relevant skills necessary for leadership excellence and equip physicians with practical tools in finance, practice improvement, strategy, and decision-making to empower physicians to effectively participate in leading organizations in the rapidly changing world of health reform. The next cohort will begin January 22, 2019 with live sessions. For more information and to register visit: [https://reg.planetreg.com/PhysicianLeadershipSeriesCohort1](https://reg.planetreg.com/PhysicianLeadershipSeriesCohort1).

### MSD 2019 Membership Dues Reminder!

**Don't let your membership lapse!** MSD has made the membership renewal process simple through our secure website link: [https://tinyurl.com/MSDMembershipRenewal](https://tinyurl.com/MSDMembershipRenewal). Your Society has been working hard on your behalf and 2018 was a big year for accomplishments. 2019 is already off to a fast start and we don't want you to miss out on important communications and valuable member benefits, so please renew now. Thank you for your continued support to make your Society stronger than ever! For questions contact Ryan.Wolfe@medsocdel.org or (302) 224-4905.

### DPH Announces First Flu Deaths of The 2018-2019 Season

The Division of Public Health (DPH) is reporting the first flu-related deaths of the 2018-2019 flu season. As of Dec. 22, 2018, the most recent date for which statistics are available, there have been 461 laboratory-confirmed cases of influenza in Delaware. This number only reflects the number of lab-confirmed cases; the actual number of cases circulating statewide is likely much higher. Additionally, 80 people have been hospitalized with flu-like symptoms since the start of the flu season. These numbers are an increase from the 2017-2018 season when at the same time, there were 225 laboratory-confirmed cases of influenza and 63 hospitalizations. For more information visit: [https://tinyurl.com/2018-2019DEFlu](https://tinyurl.com/2018-2019DEFlu).

### Premier Educational Partner Highlight – Pro Assurance

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. ProAssurance focuses on professional liability, legal professional liability, and workers’ compensation insurance. They work to ensure you are treated fairly while striving to make insurance simpler. ProAssurance has decades of experience and innovative solutions to help you meet your coverage needs. For more information please visit: [https://www.proassurance.com/](https://www.proassurance.com/).

### Upcoming Events: *The following activities have been approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™*

- **January 8** - *Frank M. and Robert R. Hoopes Medical/Dental Lecture 2019, 6:30 - 8:15 p.m., John H. Ammon Medical Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark. To register: [https://tinyurl.com/2019MDL](https://tinyurl.com/2019MDL)*
- **January 13** - *PAHCOM presents: MIPS 2019 - What You Need To Know About The Final Rule, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark. To register: [https://tinyurl.com/PAHCOM1-10](https://tinyurl.com/PAHCOM1-10)*
- **January 23** - *SAVE THE DATE - Maternal Health Awareness Day Program, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark.*

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