Child Abuse Reporting Options Expand in Delaware

The Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families (DSCYF) has launched a new reporting portal that allows both professionals and members of the community to submit online reports of suspected child abuse and neglect. The new portal, is more efficient and can be accessed on any mobile device or desktop. To access the online reporting portal, please visit iseethesigns.org or you may still utilize the child abuse and neglect hotline, at 800-292-9582. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/DECARreporting.

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

On Saturday, Oct. 26, 2019, Delaware residents can safely dispose of their unused or expired prescription medications at designated sites throughout the state for free. Medications for disposal must be in a container such as a pill bottle, box, or zipped plastic bag, with no personal information. Liquid medications must be in their original containers. Needles, aerosols, biohazard materials, medical equipment and batteries will not be accepted. For drop off locations visit https://tinyurl.com/NPDTBD2019.

Last Chance to Register – Certified Medical Coder (CMC) Course

Certified Medical Coders are in high demand and physicians are in need of certified coders who are capable of understanding the complexities of the reimbursement process. The Certified Medical Coder course is a leading certification program that prepares candidates with advanced knowledge of the reimbursement cycle. MSD in partnership with Practice Management Institute will host the next CMC course on November 1, 8, 15, 22 December 6 from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm at the Medical Society of Delaware Conference Center in Newark. Those who continue to expand their professional knowledge will have an edge in today’s ever-changing health care climate. For more information & to register visit https://reg.planetreg.com/CMC2019.

MSD Practice Management & Education Session

ADA Guidelines & Effective Communication

Do you know your responsibility for obtaining interpreter services for your patients? Please join us for the next MSD Practice Management & Education session on from Thursday, November 7, from 8:00 am – 10:00 am at the MSD Conference Center in Newark, DE with video conferencing to Bayhealth Kent General Hospital. This session will focus on the requirements of language interpreter services and how to meet ADA guidelines. Participants will be provide with an overview of the ADA enforcement history, learn how to find a qualified interpreter, the extent of interpreter duties, code of ethics, and much more. To register https://reg.planetReg.com/ADAGuidelines.

Hot Topic CME – Protecting the Public

To what extent are you liable for the bad actions of your patients?

Our expert session will give you both a clinical and an advocacy roadmap, to include the following:

- How to protect yourself, the patient, and the community: the physicians legal duty under the Delaware law
- How to handle a psychiatric emergency
- How to keep guns out of the hands of the dangerous and mentally ill
- Discussions on physicians’ duty to their patients

Please join us for a “Hot Topic” CME session on Thursday, November 7, 2019, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm at the MSD Conference Center in Newark, with video conferencing to Bayhealth at Kent General Hospital. To register, please visit https://reg.planetReg.com/HotTopicCME2019HB302.

Blood Bank Experiences Critical Shortage

The Blood Bank of Delmarva has issued an urgent appeal for blood and platelet donations. According to the blood supplier, it takes more than 350 donors daily to supply the 19 hospitals throughout the Delmarva Peninsula with the blood products they need. Current reserves have fallen below a seven-day inventory, the minimum recommended reserve. The shortage is due to a significant decline in repeat and first-time donors as well as an increased demand for blood products. To donate call 1-888-8-BLOOD-8 or for locations visit https://tinyurl.com/BLDBNK19.

Up-Coming Event: Save the Date!

Jan. 14 – 2020 Insurance Payers Workshop, 8:00 am - 11:00 am, MSD Conference Center, Newark.