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Reminders

2020 HIPAA/OSHA/BLS TRAINING
Get your 2020 HIPAA, mandatory OSHA, & BLS training scheduled with MSD Compliance Coordinator Dwayne Downs at 302-366-1023.

MSD CORONAVIRUS RESOURCES
Please visit our MSD Coronavirus Resource page for continued updated guidance on COVID-19 at <https://tinyurl.com/MSDCOVID19>

MSD IS ON FACEBOOK
"Like" the Medical Society of Delaware Facebook page for informative posts, pictures and events. Like Follow us at: <https://www.facebook.com/MedicalSocietyofDelaware/> or @medicalsocietyofdelaware and turn on your notifications.

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DPH Releases Halloween Guidance

The Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) has released guidance for Delawareans to safely participate in fall festivities, including Halloween activities, during the COVID-19 pandemic. The new guidance categorizes activities by risk - low, moderate, and high risk. According to DPH, Delawareans should avoid high-risk activities, where face coverings and other requirements are not enforced. For more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/DELHLWN>.

HHS Renews Public Health Emergency Declaration

Secretary of Health & Human Services (HHS) Alex Azar renewed the COVID-19 public health emergency, effective October 23, 2020, which means that all current Medicare telehealth waivers and other flexibilities are also extended. The renewed public health emergency declaration will terminate 90 days thereafter, on Jan. 21, 2021, unless it is renewed again. For more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/HHSEMD>.

Practice Management Session Lunchtime Webinar

Connect to Lead: Caring for Yourself and Others During the COVID-19

Mark your calendar for the next Practice Management Education lunchtime webinar on Wednesday, October 28th from 12:00 - 1:00 pm. This session, "Connect to Lead: Caring for Yourself and Others During the COVID-19," will provide an overview of how to recognize major factors influencing work-life balance and the key drivers of burnout. For more information and to register visit <https://reg.planetreg.com/PMSWebinar>.

MSD Telemedicine Guidance Resource Updated

The Medical Society of Delaware (MSD) has updated its "Telemedicine Guidance" on telemedicine/telehealth coverage and CPT billing codes for major payers. MSD will continue to update the guidance information as the regulations change. To view the updated "Telemedicine Guidance" document, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/MSDTELEMED>.

DE Relief Grants Second Round Now Open

The DE Relief Grants second application round is now open on delbiz.com/relief. Business applying for a DE Relief Grant in Round 2 should make sure to: provide your ENTIRE federal 2019 tax return (including all schedules and attachments) and submit your current State of Delaware business license (make sure it is not an expired license nor a municipal license).

HHS Announced a New Round of Provider Relief Funds

HHS announced that it will be disbursing another \$20 billion in CARES Act Provider Relief Funds. Under this Phase 3 General Distribution allocation, physicians that have already received Provider Relief Fund payments may apply for additional funding that considers financial losses and changes in operating expenses caused by the coronavirus. Behavioral health care providers, including psychiatrists, are now eligible for funding. Previously ineligible physicians, such as those who began practicing in 2020, will also be eligible to apply. Physicians can apply from October 5 - November 6, 2020. Register for an informational webcast on October 15 at 3:00 pm ET at <https://tinyurl.com/PRFWebcast>. For more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/HHSPAHE3>.

Hospital Price Transparency: Requirements Effective January 1

Effective January 1, 2021, each hospital operating in the United States is required to provide clear, accessible pricing information online about the items and services they provide in two ways: Comprehensive machine-readable file with all items and services, and display of shoppable services in a consumer-friendly format. Visit the new Hospital Price Transparency website for resources to help you prepare at <https://tinyurl.com/HospPT>. To view the Hospital Price Transparency FAQ please visit <https://tinyurl.com/HPTFAQ>.

Delaware FOP Phone Solicitation Update

In our communications on September 11, MSD warned of a possible phone scam involving callers soliciting donations for the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) after receiving complaints. MSD has been in contact with Fred Calhoun, President of the Delaware FOP and learned that they are currently running a fundraising campaign, using an outside organization for outreach. To learn more about the Delaware FOP or have donation questions, contact Fred Calhoun at 302-353-8844.