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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!

#### CERTIFIED MEDICAL OFFICE MANAGER (CMOM)

CMOM scheduled in April has been postponed. New dates to be announced.

#### CONFERENCE ROOM SPACE

Need a conference room? Contact Patrick Rita at 302-224-5189.

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# **Practice Matters**

Keeping Your Practice Informed Through Weekly Broadcast Fax

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# **MSD Coronavirus Resources**

The Medical Society of Delaware is here to assist you with guidance on new rules/regulations, provide resources, hear your concerns, and provide answers to your questions. Please visit our MSD Coronavirus Resource page at https://tinyurl.com/MSDCOVID19.

#### **Alternate Care Sites Announced**

The Delaware Emergency Management Agency and the State Health Operations Center are announcing the designation of alternate care sites in New Castle County to accommodate overflow patients from Delaware hospital systems as they begin to experience a surge in patients with coronavirus disease 2019. For more information please visit https://tinyurl.com/DEMASites20.

# **CDC Issues Guidance for Adult Immunization During Pandemic**

Recognizing that clinicians need to provide clinical services in safe environments, the CDC has issued new pandemic guidance for adult immunization in areas with community transmission of SARS-CoV-2. The CDC recommends that needed immunizations be postponed, except when the adult is present for some other purpose and the immunization can be delivered during that visit with no additional risk, or the adult and their clinician find a compelling need to receive the immunization after concluding that potential benefits outweigh risk of exposure to SARS-CoV-2. For more information please visit https://tinyurl.com/CDCCOVIDIMM.

### Video Available on Medicare Coverage and Payment of Virtual Services

CMS released a video providing answers to common questions about the Medicare telehealth services benefit. CMS is expanding this benefit on a temporary and emergency basis under the 1135 waiver authority and Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act. To view the video please visit https://tinyurl.com/MLNVid20.

#### **Families First Coronavirus Response Act**

The Families First Coronavirus Response Act waives cost-sharing under Medicare Part B (coinsurance and deductible amounts) for Medicare patients for COVID-19 testing-related services. These services are medical visits for the HCPCS evaluation and management categories when an outpatient provider, physician, or other providers and suppliers that bill Medicare for Part B services orders or administers COVID-19 lab test U0001, U0002, or 87635. For more information please visit https://tinyurl.com/MLN4-7-2020.

# **CMS Posts Letter to Clinicians**

CMS posted a letter to clinicians that outlines a summary of actions CMS has taken to ensure clinicians have maximum flexibility to reduce unnecessary barriers to providing patient care during the unprecedented outbreak of COVID-19. The summary includes information about telehealth and virtual visits, accelerated and advanced payments, and recent waiver information. To read the letter please visit https://tinyurl.com/CMSCOVIDLetter.

#### **Telemedicine Options for Physicians**

MSD subsidiary Health Hub has carefully vetted the following vendors for telemedicine use.

- Mend MSD is offering grants for \$1000 off for VIP participating physicians. Grant application: https://tinyurl.com/TeleGrant20 or visit https://www.mendfamily.com/
- Vidyo For a limited time offering a no cost temporary license. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/vidyofreetrial
- CarePortMD https://www.careportmd.com/msd/

# **Premier Educational Spotlight – MSDIS**

The Medical Society of Delaware Insurance Services (MSDIS), powered by USI Insurance, specializes in providing employee benefits, medical malpractice, personal, and business insurance to the health care community. Our team has been serving the practice of medicine for more than 25 years and is dedicated to providing coverage, education, advocacy, and advice that delivers quantified value. For more information contact Sharon Ruth, sharon.ruth@usi.com, 302.293.1576.

# **MSD Holiday Hours**

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In observance of the upcoming holiday, MSD will be closed Friday, April 10th and Monday, April 13th