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Reminders

CERTIFIED MEDICAL OFFICE MANAGER

Registration open for Certified Medical Office Manger course and exam scheduled for: September 12, 13, 19, & 20 at Eden Hill Medical Center in Dover. Register at:

https://reg.planetreg.com/CMOM2019

PHYSICIAN LEADERSHIP SERIES

Registration is open for the MSD Physician Leadership Series. Register at https://reg.planetreg.com/PhysicianLe adershipSeries

MSD MEMBERS RECEIVE DISCOUNTS ON SERVICES See list of Affinity Partners at

http://tinyurl.com/affinitypartners

HIPAA & OSHA TRAINING AVAIABLE

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Practice Matters

Keeping Your Practice Informed Through Weekly Broadcast Fax

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Active Shooter Planning and Response for The Health Care Setting

Registration is now open! Please join us for the next MSD Practice Management & Education session on **Tuesday, September, 10th 8:00 am–10:00 am,** at the MSD Conference Center in Newark, DE with video conferencing to Bayhealth Kent General, presented by Dennis F. Dougherty, Law Enforcement Officer. Health care facilities face a unique set of challenges in an active shooter incident. These incidents have no patterns in victim selection or method, creating an unpredictable and quickly evolving situation that can lead to loss of life and injury. This program will cover what to do in case of an active shooter, mitigation strategies, and protective measures. For more information and to register visit https://reg.planetreg.com/PMSActiveShooter.

OBVIOUS Event at MSD - "The Power of Nutrition"

The Medical Society of Delaware is pleased to announce the presentation of "*The Power of Nutrition*" by *Neal Barnard, MD, FACC* as part of the OBVIOUS Campaign for Kids. This event will be held on Thursday, September 19, 2019, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm, at the Medical Society of Delaware Conference Center in Newark, DE. Dr. Neal Barnard is an American author, clinical researcher, and founding president of the Physician Committee for Responsible Medicine. He has led numerous research studies investigating the effects of diet on diabetes, body weight, and chronic pain, including a groundbreaking study of dietary interventions in type 2 diabetes. The MSD Campaign for Kids is an initiative of the Medical Society of Delaware focusing on seven critical issues that affect young Delawareans and families. For more information and to register visit https://reg.planetReg.com/ThePowerOfNutrition. (Seating is limited!)

DPH Asking Medical Providers to Report Vaping

The Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) has issued a health advisory to provide the health care community with information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) regarding cases of severe pulmonary disease reported across the country, and asking providers to report suspected cases. Clinicians should report cases of significant respiratory illness of unclear etiology and a history of vaping to the Delaware Division of Public Health, Bureau of Epidemiology at 1-888-295-5156. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/DPHVape.

Quality Payment Program Exception Applications

The 2019 Quality Payment Program (QPP) Exception Applications or Promoting Interoperability (PI) and for the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) are available on the QPP website. If you are participating in MIPS during the 2019 performance year as an individual, group, virtual group or participating in a MIPS Alternative Payment Model (APM) you can submit a QPP Hardship Exception Application for the PI performance category. MIPS eligible clinicians impacted by extreme circumstances may submit a request for reweighting the Quality, Cost, and Improvement Activities performance categories. For more information https://tinyurl.com/MLN08-21.

DOJ Warns Delawareans About Jury Duty Phone Scam

The Delaware Department of Justice Consumer Protection Unit is alerting residents of a phone scam regarding missed jury duty service. In the scam, consumers receive a call from a (302) area code. After answering, a live caller referring to themselves as "Major," and claiming to have a judge on the line, tells the consumer that bench warrants have been issued for their arrest due to failure to appear for jury duty. The consumer is instructed to bring two Money Pak vouchers to the Leonard L. Williams Courthouse within an hour to satisfy their warrant. <u>Delawareans eligible for jury duty are always notified about their obligation to serve jury duty by mail: never by telephone.</u> Delaware Courts would never threaten immediate arrest in this way and under no circumstances would demand money. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/JryDtyScm.

National Immunization Awareness Month

Although we're already more than halfway through National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM), it's never too late to highlight the importance of vaccination for people of all ages. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) offers resources and graphics to help communicate the value of vaccines to health care professionals, parents and patients not only in August, but throughout the year. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/NIAM2019.