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Reminders

HIPAA & OSHA TRAINING AVAILABLE
To schedule training contact Dwayne Downs at 302-366-1023.

PHYSICIAN LEADERSHIP SERIES
Registration is open for the MSD Physician Leadership Series. Register at https://reg.planetreg.com/PhysicianLeadershipSeries

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See list of Affinity Partners at http://tinyurl.com/affinitypartners

CONFERENCE ROOM SPACE
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DPH Investigating Possible Cases of Vaping Related Lung Illnesses in DE
The Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) is participating in a multi-state investigation into an outbreak of severe pulmonary disease reported across the country. As of today, 33 states, including Delaware, have reported possible cases of lung illnesses associated with use of e-cigarette products. The CDC launched its investigation into the lung illnesses on Aug. 1, 2019 to determine the cause. DPH recently issued a health alert to Delaware medical professionals advising them of the CDC outbreak investigation and providing guidance for reporting possible 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 https://tinyurl.com/DPHVaping2019.

MSD Receives Healthy Living Week Proclamation
The Medical Society of Delaware's School Health Subcommittee is pleased to announce Governor Carney and Lieutenant Governor Bethany Hall-Lang have declared November 11-15, 2019 Healthy Living Week. During Healthy Living Week, MSD School Health Subcommittee physicians will travel to public middle schools across the state to discuss with 7th grade students key issues facing teens. This year's topics include physical health, nutrition, depression, sports injuries, abuse of prescription medications, e-cigarettes/vaping, social media health, and cyber safety. For more information please contact Antje Arnold at 302-884-5193.

MSD Holds Successful Practice Management Education Session on How to Handle an Active Shooter in your Practice
MSD held a Practice Management Education Session on Tuesday, September 10th with close to 100 attendees. Practices learned mitigation strategies, protective measures, what health care staff should do in case of an active shooter, and why having a plan in place is so important. Did you know that health care workers are at an increased risk for workplace violence? According to a study in Annals of Emergency Medicine, in 2000-2017 the United States had 154 hospital-related shootings, 91 of the shootings (59%) inside the hospital and 63 (41%) outside the grounds. MSD would like to remind everyone to stay safe, know all your exit routes, and plan ahead!

QPP MIPS Targeted Review Request Deadline September 30th
If you participated in the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) in 2018, your performance feedback, which includes your MIPS final score and payment adjustment factor(s), are available for review on the Quality Payment Program website. If you believe an error has been made, you can request a targeted review until September 30th at 8:00 pm EST. The MIPS payment adjustment you will receive in 2020 is based on your final score. For more information visit https://qpp.cms.gov/login.

DPH Awarded $5.8 Million Grant to Reduce Drug Overdose Deaths
Officials from the Division of Public Health (DPH) announced that the agency was recently awarded a $5.8 million Overdose Data to Action grant (OD2A) from the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention to help reduce fatal drug overdoses in Delaware. The purpose of the three year grant is to support a comprehensive approach to the opioid crisis in Delaware. The grant period began Sept. 1, 2019, and runs through Aug. 31, 2022. The state will receive $5.8 million each year for the three-year period. For more information visit https://tinyurl.com/DEGrant2019.

Delaware Medical Assistance Program (DMAP) Portal Down
The Delaware Medical Assistance Portal is currently being updated, which has impacted Portal services. DMAP will provide notification when Portal services have been fully restored. Please contact Provider Services for assistance with forms, manuals, documents, questions and other Portal needs at 1-800-999-3371; option 0, then option 2.

Up-Coming Events:
Sept. 21 - 8th Annual Psychiatric Society of Delaware (PSD) Symposium, 8:00 am - 2:30 pm, MSD Conference Center, Newark. To register https://msdcme.rievent.com/a/GFQWFC.
Sept 28-27 – PAHCOM, Practice Intelligence Symposium, 8:00 am - 6:00 pm, Embassy Suites Newark. Please note location correction from the September 5th Practice Matters. For more information and to register https://tinyurl.com/PAHCOM2019.