



Medical Society of Delaware
LEADING THE WAY TO A HEALTHY DELAWARE

COVID-19 UPDATE

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In an effort to keep Delaware's medical community current on the latest information regarding the coronavirus crisis, the Medical Society of Delaware is sharing the following:

DPH Announces 166 New Positive Cases / Eight Additional Deaths

According to the Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) **166** new Delawareans have been diagnosed with COVID-19, taking the total number of lab-confirmed cases to **6,277**, including **288** who are hospitalized, **55** of whom are critically ill.

Two hundred twenty-one individuals have died due to COVID-19 in Delaware with ages ranging from 22 to 103 years old. The most recent deaths announced today ranged in age from 22 to 100. Two were New Castle County resident, two were Kent County residents, and four were Sussex County residents. All of the individuals had underlying health conditions. Six individuals were residents of long-term care facilities.

Latest statistics on positive cases:

- New Castle County cases: 2,275
- Kent County cases: 985
- Sussex County cases: 2,990
- Unknown County: 27
- Age range: 0 to 103

[Read more.](#)

What are the Phases of Reopening for Delaware?

Delaware Governor John Carney announced yesterday a target date of **June 1**

to begin "Phase 1" in reopening Delaware. In order to begin Phase 1, Delaware must meet several standards outlined by the Governor, which includes containing the COVID-19 hot spot in Sussex County. Once all the State's criteria is met, Delaware can begin the first of three phases.

Phase 1:

- Vulnerable individuals shelter in place.
- Maintain social distance in public
- Limit gatherings to 10 individuals
- Minimize non-essential travel - personal and business
- Encourage teleworking
- Return to work in phases
- Consider special accommodations for vulnerable populations of workforce
- Schools and youth activities remain closed
- No visits to senior living facilities and hospitals.
- Large venues, restaurants would have strict guidelines
- Elective surgeries to resume
- Gyms to follow strict physical distancing and sanitation protocol
- Bars remain closed

[Read all proposed phases.](#)

Three Children Die of Newly Discovered COVID-19-Linked Illness

Three young children have died in New York City due to a COVID-19-linked syndrome similar to Kawasaki Disease. Seventy-three children have been sickened by the rare disease in New York. Cases of the illness called Pediatric Multi-System Inflammatory Syndrome Associated with COVID-19, have also been reported in Boston, Philadelphia, and Wilmington, Delaware. Prior to the appearance of this disease, fewer than four children had died in New York as a result of COVID-19. [Read more.](#)

Know Someone Who Should be Receiving MSD COVID-19 Updates?

Thank you to all our daily readers! MSD is dedicated to helping keep all physicians, not just MSD members, up-to-date with the most current COVID-19 information. This includes PAs and practice managers. The feedback has been outstanding and we will continue to deliver timely, accurate information you need.

If you know a physician, PA, practice manager, or health care stakeholder who isn't receiving our communications and would like to, please let us know by emailing Mary.Fenimore@medsocdel.org. Please include their first and last name, practice name, as well as specialty/profession/credentials (MD, DO, PA, etc.).

For more information and resources regarding COVID-19, MSD has created a coronavirus resource page on our website. [View resource page.](#)

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