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MSD CORONAVIRUS RESOURCES

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

2021 HIPAA/OSHA/BLS TRAINING

Get your 2021 HIPAA, mandatory OSHA, & BLS training scheduled with MSD Compliance Coordinator Dwayne Downs at 302-366-1023.

MSD IS ON FACEBOOK

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Saint Francis Healthcare Offers COVID-19 Vaccine Opportunity

In coordination with the Medical Society of Delaware, Saint Francis is offering the COVID-19 vaccine to all qualified Phase 1a health care workers in Delaware. If you are a health care worker not affiliated with Saint Francis, but wish to request a vaccine through Saint Francis Hospital, please follow the instructions posted at www.trinityhealthma.org/covid-19/vaccine-request. Phase 1a physicians and staff will be contacted to schedule their vaccine appointment within 2 business days, depending on the volume of requests received. If you have already contacted Saint Francis to schedule your vaccine, there is no need to complete the form.

DPH COVID-19 Vaccination Events

The Division of Public Health is scheduling several vaccination events over weekends at Division of Motor Vehicle locations. An appointment/scheduling system will soon be available to interested Phase 1a personnel and will be provided directly to individuals who wish to be vaccinated and who complete the request form as indicated below:

- Practice staff who wish to either participate in a Point of Delivery (POD) event or identify a vaccinating partner are asked to complete this NEW form at <https://tinyurl.com/DEVacApp> and email it to VaccinePlanning@delaware.gov. You must specify in the subject line "seeking vaccination hub partner" or "seeking vaccination timeslot at DMV clinic".
- Health care personnel not part of a practice or who may be the only one in the practice who wish to be vaccinated should send an email to VaccinePlanning@delaware.gov and indicate "seeking vaccination timeslot at DMV clinic," and explain their situation.

Practices who wish to become a Vaccination Hub should review and complete information at <https://tinyurl.com/DEVacHub> and submit to VaccinePlanning@delaware.gov. DPH continues to encourage individual providers and practices to enroll in the state's program so they can vaccinate patients in the coming weeks.

2021 E-Prescribing Regulation

MSD reminds physicians of the new Delaware Electronic Prescribing law that went into effect on January 1, 2021. The new law changes how medications, including controlled substances, are prescribed for patients. Delaware has transitioned from written to electronic prescriptions. The federal law mandates e-prescribing for all controlled substances covered under Medicare Part D, with a few exceptions. In Delaware, House Bill 115 was signed into law June 27, 2019, which expands this requirement to all prescriptions, with certain exceptions. The Delaware Board of Medical Licensure will be finalizing rules regarding waivers at the February meeting. In the meantime, they recommend that practices continue working on a plan to become compliant. For an information sheet with a list of exceptions, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/DELEPrescribe>. View HB115 at <https://tinyurl.com/DELHB115>. For regulation questions, call 302-744-4500.

Registration Open – 2021 Virtual Insurance Payer Workshop

Join us for the MSD Virtual Insurance Payer Workshop on Thursday, January 28, 2021 from 9:00am – 12:00pm. Receive the latest information from our major insurance payers for 2021. Representatives from Aetna, AmeriHealth Caritas, Highmark, United Healthcare, and CMS are invited to participate. To register, visit <https://reg.planetreg.com/2021PayerWorkshop>.

MSD Membership Renewals are Past Due

Please don't forget to renew your 2021 MSD membership. This year's rates have remained the same as they have for the past few years. Dues can be paid electronically by logging into the MSD website or by mail. Please contact MSD Membership Coordinator Michelle Seymour at 302-224-4905 or Michelle.Seymour@medsocdel.org if you have questions.

Delaware State Police Phone Number Used in Spoofed Phone Scam

The Delaware State Police have recently been made aware of multiple incidents in which individuals have received phone calls from a Delaware State Police issued number. Only the number appears on the caller ID. Spoofing is often used to trick someone into giving away valuable personal information and used in fraudulent activity or sold illegally. During these most recent calls, the recipient was told they needed to pay a fine from a previous criminal charge. The scammers can be very convincing playing on the emotional vulnerability of the victim. The Delaware State Police will **NEVER** request payment for fines, traffic tickets or bail. Full alert is available at <https://tinyurl.com/destatepolicephonespoof>.