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## Reminders

### 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.

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## Delawareans Will Have New Opportunity to Gain Health Insurance

Delawareans looking for affordable health insurance will have an additional opportunity to sign up for coverage – including tax credits for eligible enrollees that help to reduce monthly premiums significantly from Feb. 15 to May 15 on HealthCare.gov, the federal online Health Insurance Marketplace created by the Affordable Care Act (ACA). For more information visit [tinyurl.com/y2lvrsn8](https://tinyurl.com/y2lvrsn8).

## Telemedicine Support Guidelines

As COVID-19 Emergency Orders remain in place, insurance payers continue to announce extended cost sharing waivers for Telemedicine visits to include Aetna, Cigna, Highmark and United Healthcare. Our Physician Relations team has updated the *MSD Telemedicine Support Guidelines for COVID-19* to ensure you have the most up-to-date information. Please visit <https://tinyurl.com/bx3ufae8>.

## Attest to the 2020 Medicare Promoting Interoperability Program by April 1

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reminds all Medicare Promoting Interoperability Program participants that the deadline to submit 2020 data is **April 1, 2021 at 11:59 pm ET**. Medicare Promoting Interoperability Program participants are required to register and attest through the QualityNet Secure Portal. For more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/43dww5td>.

## Non-Opioid Pain Management Toolkit Evaluation Survey

Approximately 1,500 providers received “Non-Opioid Approaches for Managing Chronic Pain: A Toolkit for Providers” from the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health (DPH) in March 2020. The toolkit, developed by DPH, shared comprehensive, evidence-based non-opioid pain management resources so that patients can receive non-opioid pain management options. Opioid prescribing should not be the first or only choice to treat chronic pain. DPH is conducting a review of this outreach effort. *If you or your office received a toolkit*, follow this link to provide feedback about your experience with it: [www.SurveyMonkey.com/r/DEPainMgt](http://www.SurveyMonkey.com/r/DEPainMgt). The survey is anonymous and will take no longer than five minutes.

## Instructions for Sales in Medical Facilities

Hospitals and physician’s offices may request a waiver from the Division of Public Health (DPH) to allow business contacts such as medical sales associates or non-essential deliveries to enter their medical facilities. The waiver request must be submitted to DPH. Business contacts such as medical sales associates and non-essential deliveries will not be permitted in medical facilities, including hospitals and physician’s offices, without DPH waiver approval. Waiver requests should be submitted by email to [Alanna.Mozeik@delaware.gov](mailto:Alanna.Mozeik@delaware.gov). For more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/bhcrecej>.

## Practice Management Education Session – COVID-19 HR Update

Please join us for the next virtual MSD Practice Management & Education session on **Thursday, March 25 from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm**. This Practice Management Session will focus on Human Resources and provide an overview of Delaware law in the areas of unemployment issues, emergency paid sick leave, COVID-19 vaccine in your workplace, current CDC guidelines, COVID-19 policy and much more. To register, please visit <https://reg.planetreg.com/HRUPDATE>. Zoom capacity is limited!

## MSD Hot Topic Virtual CME Lecture

### Physician-Assisted Suicide/Medical Aid in Dying, Pros & Cons

Join MSD for a *Hot Topic*, virtual lecture offered to physician members and residents on Physician-Assisted Suicide/Medical Aid in Dying, Pros & Cons on **Wednesday, April 7th, from 6:00 - 7:30 pm**, presented by Ethicist Marvin Lee, PhD, ChristianaCare/La Salle University and Ethicist Stephen Taylor, PhD, Delaware State University/Bayhealth. The program will start with a case example presented by moderator John Goodill, MD, Chair of MSD Committee on Ethics, followed by a Q&A session. Visit <https://reg.planetreg.com/physicianassistedsuicideproscons2021>.

## Ensure Your Practice Matters Continue Uninterrupted

Our goal is to share important news and information with your practice as a membership benefit. However, without your practice renewing MSD membership for 2021, receipt of your weekly *Practice Matters* and other valuable MSD communications will end. **If you have already renewed for 2021, THANK YOU!** Membership renewal is easily accomplished online by logging in to the MSD website. For membership questions, please contact [Michelle.Seymour@medsocdel.org](mailto:Michelle.Seymour@medsocdel.org) or 302-224-4905.