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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

"Like" the Medical Society of Delaware Facebook page for informative posts, pictures and events. Like & Follow us at: <https://www.facebook.com/MedicalSocietyofDelaware/> or @medicalsocietyofdelaware and turn on your notifications.

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Eligible Seniors 65 and Older Can Sign Up for Vaccination This Weekend

Any individuals 65 and older who live, work or receive their health care in Delaware are invited to sign up to receive their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccination Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Dover International Speedway. Seniors who meet this criteria can sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/tsjrybfx>. Multiple invitations to individuals remaining on the state's 65+ waiting list have not filled appointments this weekend at Dover International Speedway. For more information <https://tinyurl.com/35h7w3y3>.

Practice Management Education Session – COVID-19 HR Update

LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER for the virtual MSD Practice Management & Education session on **Thursday, March 25 from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm**. Can you mandate COVID vaccinations in your practice? What are the EOC rules around employee termination when they refuse vaccination? For answers to these questions and information on Delaware laws in the areas of unemployment issues, emergency paid sick leave, COVID-19 policy and current CDC guidelines, register at <https://reg.planetreg.com/HRUPDATE>.

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 the MSD Committee on Ethics, followed by a Q&A session. Visit <https://reg.planetreg.com/physicianassistedsuicideproscons2021>.

Tell Congress To Vote Yes On H.R. 1868 & Provide Relief To Physicians

If Congress doesn't act by March 31, the Medicare payment sequester will take effect, triggering a devastating cut for physician practices across the country. Recently, legislation was introduced in the House that would protect physician practices by extending the current Medicare sequester moratorium beyond the March 31 deadline. H.R. 1868 would give a much-needed reprieve, so physicians can continue to focus on providing the best care. Please contact your Representative and urge them to vote YES on H.R. 1868! For more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/4eem3au5>.

Medicare Payment Increase for COVID-19 Vaccine

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has increased the Medicare payment amount for administering the COVID-19 vaccine. Effective for COVID-19 vaccines administered on or after March 15, 2021, the national average payment rate for physicians, hospitals, pharmacies and many other immunizers will be \$40 to administer each dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. This represents an increase from approximately \$28 to \$40 for the administration of single-dose vaccines, and an increase from approximately \$45 to \$80 for the administration of COVID-19 vaccines requiring two doses. For more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/z9s976cd>.

AMPAC Candidate Workshop is Going Virtual

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic the AMPAC Candidate Workshop will be conducted virtually this year. The Candidate Workshop is designed to help you make the leap from the exam room to the campaign trail and give you the skills and strategic approach you will need to make a run for public office. The Virtual Candidate Workshop will be conducted over the course of two consecutive weekends: **May 1-2 and 8-9**. Both weekends are part of the full program and must be attended by participants. Each of the four virtual sessions will start at 11:00 am EST and run approximately four hours. Registration fee is \$250 for AMA members/\$1,000 for non-AMA members. This fee is waived for AMA residents and students; space is limited. To register visit <https://login.ama-assn.org/account/login>.

MSD Interim Council Meeting Registration

The Interim Meeting of the Medical Society of Delaware Council will be held virtually on **Thursday, April 8, 2021 beginning at 6:00 pm**. Those planning to join are requested to register in advance. Council Members are encouraged to participate to represent their constituents on items presented for vote. This meeting is for MSD member physicians only. Participants will hear a presentation on Climate and Health. The Council will also deliberate resolutions presented (including those tabled at the November Annual Meeting of the Council), handle elections before it, and identify the members of the Nominating Committee for 2021-2022. Deadline to register is April 6th. To register visit <https://tinyurl.com/sfbkfaec>.