

Practice Matters

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DE Health Alert: Severe and/or Immediate Reactions to COVID-19 Vaccines

The Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) is issuing this health alert to advise the medical community to be aware of allergic reactions to the COVID-19 vaccine that may be seen in people with a history of allergic reactions. DPH is aware of confusion and concerns surrounding individuals with histories of severe allergic reaction and receipt of mRNA-based vaccines (i.e. Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccines). The CDC considers a history of the following to be a contraindication to vaccination with COVID-19 vaccines:

- Severe allergic reaction (e.g., anaphylaxis) after a previous dose of the COVID-19 vaccine
 - Severe allergic reaction (e.g., anaphylaxis) to a component of the COVID-19 vaccine
- Immediate* allergic reaction of any severity to either a previous dose of the vaccine, or known (diagnosed) allergy to a component of the vaccine

For more information please visit https://tinyurl.com/3p3msars.

Physicians Medical License Renewal Expired March 31

Delaware Physicians Medical Licensure Renewal deadline was March 31. If you did not renew your license before the expiration date, your license has expired. IT IS ILLEGAL TO PRACTICE IN DELWARE WHILE YOUR LICENSE IS EXPIRED. A physician with an expired license, may file a late renewal application up to one year after the expiration date in DELPROS. During your renewal process you are asked to attest that you have completed:

- The minimum required CME hours
- Mandatory Training

You are also required to:

- Certify that you have not practiced while your license is expired
- Pay a late fee, in addition to the renewal fee

To renew your license please visit: https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/medicalpractice/renewal/

If you fail to renew by the end of the one-year period, your license will terminate. To resume practicing in Delaware after termination, you must reapply in DELPROS at https://delpros.delaware.gov/ as a new applicant. The deadline to renew your Controlled Substance Registration (CSR) is June 30. Visit https://tinyurl.com/y7tcxc5k for CSR renewal.

Help Drop the Paywall for Important News Segment Affecting Physicians

This month, 60 Minutes+, the streaming news spinoff on Paramount+, aired a segment on the mental health toll of the pandemic on frontline medical workers. It is available to stream on Paramount+, but, unfortunately, it is behind a paywall. According to The Physicians Foundation survey, 58% of physicians reported experiencing burnout, but only 13% sought mental health support services related to it. Any public information about this crisis could help increase the number of physicians who get the support they need! To make this critical information available to everyone, The Physicians Foundation is asking Paramount+ to remove the segment from behind its paywall, making it free access. Please visit https://tinyurl.com/vur26p2b to voice your concern

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is on April 27th from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm to dispose of expired, unused and unwanted medication. This program is anonymous; no questions or requests for identification will be made by law enforcement personnel present. Bring your expired, unused, or unwanted medication to one of the designated locations to ensure proper disposal. Drugs must be in a container such as a pill bottle, box, blister pack, or zip lock bag. Leave liquid medications in their original containers. No needles, aerosols, or biohazard materials may be deposited. Do not put medical equipment, batteries, syringes, or other biohazard waste into the drop-off boxes. Businesses, such as medical clinics or pharmacies, wishing to dispose of unwanted stock are not permitted to use these drop boxes. These DEA registrants must follow Federal Regulation 21CFR1307.21 for disposal of unwanted stock. For more information and drop off locations visit https://tinyurl.com/rfcm85d9.

International Conference for Nutrition in Medicine Conference Winners

Congratulations to Dr. Katelyn Fritzges and Dr. Elizabeth Ebueng who each won a complimentary registration to the International Conference for Nutrition in Medicine July 15-17, 2021. For more information and to register for this conference visit https://tinyurl.com/y5aru9wz.

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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.

DELAWARE ACADEMY OF PHYSICIANS VIRTUAL SCIENTIFIC ASSEMBLY

Saturday, April 24, 2021 beginning at 7:55 am. To register https://tinyurl.com/5c9bycyx

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/<u>or</u> @medicalsocietyofdelaware and turn on your notifications.

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