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## Reminders

### 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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## MSD Hot Topic CME: "COVID-19 Update & Myocarditis"

The Medical Society of Delaware presents the next Hot Topic CME on "COVID-19 Update and Myocarditis," taking place on Tuesday, August 3 beginning at 6:00 p.m. MSD is co-hosting this virtual event with the Delaware Division of Public Health and the Delaware Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics. This activity has been approved for a maximum of 1.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™. For more information and to register visit <https://reg.planetreg.com/COVID19-Update>.

## CDC Modifies Previous Mask-Wearing Recommendations

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has recommend that vaccinated people who live in "areas of substantial or high transmission" of the coronavirus should resume wearing masks in indoor public spaces. The CDC published an online map (<https://tinyurl.com/dwdt3ppv>) showing qualifying areas. CDC data as of Tuesday indicates Sussex County has "substantial" risk of virus transmission and New Castle and Kent counties remain at "moderate" risk, which would not trigger mask recommendations. The recommendations also advise that those vaccinated who have vulnerable people in their households, including young children and those who are immunocompromised, wear masks indoors in public spaces. In addition, the CDC is urging universal masking for all teachers, staff members, and students in K-12 schools, regardless of vaccination status and community transmission of the virus. MSD reported last week that the American Academy of Pediatrics had released updated guidelines (<https://tinyurl.com/rv9jxjr5>) recommending universal masking in schools. For more information on mask guidance after vaccination go to <https://tinyurl.com/jvhhn8ha>.

## CDC Calls For Vaccinated Individuals To Be Tested For COVID-19 After Exposure

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has updated its testing recommendations for people who are fully vaccinated against the coronavirus. The agency now advises that vaccinated people be tested for the virus if they come into contact with someone with Covid-19, even if they have no symptoms. Previously, the health agency had said that fully vaccinated people did not need to be tested after exposure to the virus unless they were experiencing symptoms. The change was prompted by new data suggesting that even vaccinated people who are infected by Delta may carry large amounts of the virus and transmit it to others. For more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/2bf435f3>.

## COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Period Extended Through October 17, 2021

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has extended the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency for an additional 90 days. This means that the telehealth and other waivers and flexibilities that have been implemented during the PHE will remain in effect until at least October 20, 2021. This renewal marks the sixth time the federal government has done so since the public health emergency was first declared at the start of the pandemic last year. This latest renewal is effective Tuesday, July 20, 2021, and will continue for 90 days. For more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/n5j83rpe>.

## Enroll in MSD's 2022 Group Membership Renewal Discount

Solo or group practices can take advantage of MSD's group membership renewal discount program and save 10% on 2022 regular membership dues! Solo practitioners - get creative and form your own network of physicians to qualify (such as your call group). All physicians within the group must be members of MSD to qualify. Eligibility for the group discount is contingent upon membership application approval for those who are not currently members. Groups must be enrolled in the program by October 29, 2021. *Groups who participated in the program in previous years must re-enroll annually.* If your group is interested, please contact [Michelle.Seymour@medsocdel.org](mailto:Michelle.Seymour@medsocdel.org) or (302) 224-4905 to enroll.

## Medical Front Office Skills Certificate Program

Please join us for the next Medical Front Office Skills Certificate Program, **October 21-22, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm at the MSD Conference Center in Newark**, this program will cover customer service, communication techniques, data collection, medical terminology, insurance basics, billing and collections, compliance, and much more. To register visit <https://reg.planetreg.com/MFOS2021>.

## Premier Educational Partner Spotlight - CURI

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