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## Reminders

### 2022 HIPAA/OSHA/BLS TRAINING

Get your 2022 HIPAA, mandatory OSHA, & BLS training scheduled with MSD Compliance Coordinator Dwayne Downs at 302-366-1023.

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## American Medical Association Interim Meeting Wrap Up

Nearly 700 physicians and medical students gathered in Honolulu for the 2022 AMA Interim Meeting to consider proposals across a wide range of clinical practice, payment, medical education and public health topics. The meeting's opening session began last Saturday and ran through Nov. 15. American Medical Association (AMA) delegates offered testimony on more than 100 reports and resolutions that were up for consideration at this year's meeting. Delegates draw on their expertise, the best evidence in the medical and health policy literature, and the insights of their state medical associations and national medical specialty societies to weigh in on proposals that run the gamut of issues affecting patients and physicians. For more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/5eefez96>.

## Governor Carney & U.S. Formally Extends Public Health Emergency

Governor Carney last Thursday formally extended the Public Health Emergency order another 30 days to allow the State of Delaware and medical professionals to continue COVID-19 vaccination and testing programs. The U.S. public health emergency was initially declared in January 2020 when the coronavirus pandemic began and has been renewed each quarter since for 90 day periods. In August, the U.S. government began hinting that it planned to let the public health emergency expire in January 2023. However, according to Reuters (<https://tinyurl.com/yc3w8xtp>) (11/11/22, Abouleinein and Mason) the United States will keep in place the public health emergency status of the COVID-19 pandemic that allows Americans to continue to receive free tests, vaccines and treatments. For more information <https://tinyurl.com/2wu4emnk>.

## Delaware Today Releases Names of the 2022 Top Docs

Delaware Today has announced the names of the Top Doctors making a difference in Delaware in 2022. Congratulations to all who made the list! View the list at <https://tinyurl.com/yc7j97ap>.

## DPH Issues Health Advisory on Candida Auris

The Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) issued a health advisory to all Delaware health care facilities to notify them of confirmed infections and colonization cases of Candida auris (C. auris), which were identified in Delaware health care facilities. Since Aug. 17, 2022, there have been two confirmed clinical cases of C. auris identified in Delaware health care facilities. Subsequent screenings have identified 14 colonization cases, as of Nov. 10, 2022. Candida auris is a fungus, which is of concern to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and DPH. C. auris can cause sometimes fatal infections and is often resistant to antifungal drugs, making it difficult to treat. It can spread rapidly in health care settings, leading to outbreaks. Additionally, C. auris can be difficult to identify in laboratories without proper equipment, leading to improper diagnosis and inappropriate management. All cases of Candida auris, both infections and colonization cases, should be reported to the Delaware Division of Public Health's Office of Infectious Disease Epidemiology. Cases can be reported by phone (302-744-4990, normal business hours; 1-888-295-5156, outside of normal business hours), fax (302-622-4149), or email [reportdisease@delaware.gov](mailto:reportdisease@delaware.gov). For more information <https://tinyurl.com/328bb9xh>.

## FDA Updates Fact Sheet for Bebtelovimab

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) updated the Health Care Provider Fact Sheet for bebtelovimab with specific information regarding expected reduced activity against certain emerging Omicron subvariants of SARS-CoV-2. This information shows that bebtelovimab is not expected to neutralize Omicron subvariants BQ.1 and BQ.1.1. At this time, bebtelovimab remains authorized in all U.S. regions until further notice by FDA. For more information visit <https://tinyurl.com/2u47t98k>.

## Certified Medical Office Manager Coming to Dover

Are you currently a Practice Management and want to be recognized for your extensive practice knowledge? Interested in training to become a Practice Manager? **THIS IS THE COURSE FOR YOU!** MSD in partnership with The Practice Management Institute is bringing the Certified Medical Office Manager (CMOM) course to Dover, DE. The CMOM course teaches practical administrative skills that lead to improved communication with providers, third-party payers, patients, and business associates. Learn guidelines and examples that will improve decision-making and tactical skills. Graduates of this program will be better prepared to manage risk, motivate employees and improve the financial outlook in a medical office. For much more information and to register, visit <https://reg.planetReg.com/CMOMDOVER2023>. **Seating is limited!**