In an effort to keep Delaware’s medical community current on the latest information regarding the coronavirus crisis, the Medical Society of Delaware is sharing the following:

Governor Announces Changes / Closures to Child Care Centers for Non-Essential Workers

Governor John Carney today modified his State of Emergency declaration to establish child care sites for essential workers. Beginning April 6, child care may only be provided by child care centers and child care homes that have been designated as "Emergency Child Care Sites" by the Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families (DSCYF). Child care centers and homes must certify that they are only providing child care to children of personnel working for essential businesses, as defined under the State of Emergency declaration, and cannot work from home.

Governor Carney also declared state buildings and essential businesses that Delaware’s Public Health Authority deems high-risk shall screen every employee, visitor and member of the public upon entering. Read more.

COVID-19 Intensifies in Delaware with 32 Additional Cases and Another Death

According to the Delaware Division of Public Health, seven Delawareans have died due to complications from COVID-19. The most recent death involves a 92-year-old female from Sussex County who had significant underlying health conditions. As of today there are 264 total laboratory-confirmed cases in the state since March 11. This includes 32 additional cases since Sunday. Of the Delawareans diagnosed with COVID-19, 156 are from New Castle County, 27 are from Kent County, and 81 are from Sussex County. Twenty-two Delaware residents have recovered. Read more.
Christiana Offers COVID-19 Testing to Health Care Professionals

ChristianaCare is offering COVID-19 testing to qualifying health care providers at their Newark Provider Referral Site. The testing is open to all health care workers in the community, including private providers, health care workers at other area hospitals, and employees of the Blood Bank of Delmarva. This includes non-clinical office staff that meet testing criteria. Written or electronic testing orders are required. Testing is offered Monday thru Friday, 8am-9am, and Sundays, 10am-noon. Read more.

DPH Conference Call TOMORROW for Physicians and Practice Managers

The next operator-assisted conference call for physicians and practice managers will be tomorrow, Tuesday, March 31 at 6:00 p.m. Please call 866-506-4188. This is a direct number to call in, there is no access code. If you would like to submit a question for DPH, please do so by 2:00 p.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, March 31. Submit question.

For more information and resources regarding COVID-19, MSD has created a coronavirus resource page on our website. View resource page.