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# COVID-19 UPDATE

## 4-13-2020

*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:*

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### DPH Announces 136 New COVID-19 Cases and Six Additional Deaths

According to the Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH), **136** new Delawareans have been diagnosed with COVID-19, taking the total number of lab-confirmed cases to **1,761**, including **204** who are hospitalized, **51** of whom are critically ill.

**Forty-one** individuals have died due to COVID-19 in Delaware. The most recent deaths involved:

- 81-year-old female from Sussex County, hospitalized
- 71-year-old female from Sussex County, hospitalized long-term care resident
- 87-year-old female from Sussex County, hospitalized long-term care resident
- 80-year-old male from New Castle County, long-term care facility
- 72-year-old female from Kent County, long-term care facility
- 54-year-old female from Kent County, hospitalized

[Read more.](#)

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### Governor Carney Joins Multi-State Council

Delaware Governor John Carney is joining the the governors from New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Rhode Island on a newly created council to coordinate a plan to restore the economy and get people back to work.

The coordinating group, comprised of one health expert, one economic

development expert and the respective chief of staff from each state, will work together to develop a fully integrated regional framework to gradually lift the states' stay at home orders while minimizing the risk of increased spread of the virus.

Delaware's representatives will include:

- Sheila Grant, Chief of Staff, Office of Governor John Carney
- Kara Odom Walker, MD, Secretary, Delaware Department of Health and Social Services
- Kurt Foreman, President and CEO, Delaware Prosperity Partnership

[Read more.](#)

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## DPH Conference Call for Physicians / Practice Managers - TOMORROW

Tomorrow, **Tuesday, April 14 at 6:00 p.m.**, DPH will be holding the tenth in a series of operator-assisted conference calls for physicians and practice managers. These calls are to help answer new questions about COVID-19. If you have a question that hasn't already been answered, please submit it before Noon tomorrow. Please read our updated Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) information sheet to see if your question has already been answered. [Read FAQ.](#) [Submit question.](#) To participate dial **866-506-5180**.

**These calls will now be offered only once a week on Tuesdays.**

4-9-2020 Conference Call - [Click here to listen.](#)

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## Delaware Healthy Lifestyle Policy Townhall

Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long and Karyl Rattay, MD, Director of Delaware's Division of Public Health will be holding a Virtual Town Hall interactive presentation of proposed policy recommendations promoting healthy lifestyles in Delaware on **Tuesday, April 21** from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. [Read more.](#)

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## Guidance for Certifying Deaths Free CME Webinar

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is offering *Guidance for Certifying Deaths Due to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)* CME, a webinar, on **Thursday, April 16** from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Webinar presenters will provide an overview of the importance of mortality data, discuss guidance to clinicians who may need to certify a death involving COVID-19, and present a summary of COVID-19 surveillance through the National Vital Statistics System. [Read more.](#)

*For more information and resources regarding COVID-19, MSD has created a coronavirus resource page on our website. [View resource page.](#)*

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