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# COVID-19 UPDATE

## 4-27-2020

*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 128 New Positive Cases / Five Additional Deaths

According to the Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) **128** new Delawareans have been diagnosed with COVID-19, taking the total number of lab-confirmed cases to **4,162**, including **325** who are hospitalized, **50** of whom are critically ill.

**One hundred twenty-five** individuals have died due to COVID-19 in Delaware with ages ranging from 32 to 103 years old. The most recent deaths announced today ranged in age from 71 to 92. Two were New Castle County residents, one was a Kent County resident, and two were Sussex County residents. The most recent deaths all involved individuals with underlying health conditions. **Seventy-seven** of the deaths involved residents from long-term care facilities.

Latest statistics on positive cases:

- New Castle County cases: 1,629
- Kent County cases: 652
- Sussex County cases: 1,870
- Unknown County: 11
- Males: 1,882; Females: 2,246; Unknown: 34
- Age range: 0 to 103

[Read more.](#)

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### Beebe Opens COVID-19 Care Center

Beebe Medical Group has opened a COVID Positive Care Center in

Georgetown. Patients in need of face-to-face care related to the virus can receive services that may include provider visits, respiratory care, imaging, and lab services. The COVID Positive Care Center is located at the Georgetown Walk-In at 21635 Biden Avenue. The center will provide care for COVID-19 positive patients and patients who are suspected to have COVID-19 and in need of direct care, but do not require hospitalization. [Read more.](#)

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## Rite Aid Opens Free Drive-Thru COVID-19 Testing Site

Free COVID-19 tests are now being offered at Rite Aid located at 200 Pharmacy Drive in Smyrna. The tests are being conducted as a drive up service in the pharmacy's parking lot. The Rite Aid tests utilize self-swab nasal tests overseen by Rite Aid pharmacists. Results are available between two and seven days. Rite Aid says they can perform approximately 400 tests a day. Testing hours are 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., seven days a week. [Read more.](#)

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## CDC Adds Six New COVID-19 Symptoms

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has added six new symptoms for COVID-19. The new symptoms are chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, and new loss of taste or smell. The CDC symptom list already included fever, cough, and shortness of breath as symptoms of the coronavirus. [Read more.](#)

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## DPH / Physician Conference Call - Tuesday

The Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) will be holding the twelfth in a series of operator-assisted conference calls coordinated with the Medical Society of Delaware on Tuesday, April 28 at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to submit a question in advance, please review MSD's [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#) first to confirm your question hasn't already been answered. DPH will also be answering questions asked directly from callers. **Conference number: 866-506-5180.**

4-21-2020 DPH / Physician Call - [Click here to listen](#)

**SUBMIT QUESTION**

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## Instructions for Obtaining PPE

MSD has received a number of questions on how private practices can acquire tough to find Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). DPH has supplied the following resources to help physicians obtain more supplies.

## Take MSD's Social Media Flash Survey

In an effort to gauge the most effective ways to share important news, information, and events, the Medical Society of Delaware would like to learn more about the social media usage of Delaware's physicians.

If you are a physician, or PA, please take a few minutes to complete this confidential MSD Flash Survey.

This survey will close at end of business day on Wednesday, April 29th.

**TAKE SURVEY**

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*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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