



## Online Treatment and Referral Network Launched

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### *New System Streamlines Real-Time Treatment Options*

The Department of Health and Social Services' Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (DSAMH) has launched an online referral network for health care professionals seeking substance use disorder treatment or mental health services for their patients. The Delaware Treatment and Referral Network (DTRN) will allow health care professionals in the First State to make a digital referral with one of 24 participating organizations. In the first five days of the initiative, 130 referrals were made, mostly for in-patient treatment. The program intends to expand to include all mental health services statewide in the future. [Read more.](#) [Read News Journal article.](#)

## Highmark Health Options to Offer Provider Forums

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*Learn the Ins and Outs of Navigating Delaware's Medicaid*



Highmark Health Options, Delaware's Medicaid Insurer, is offering several "Provider Forums" to help physicians and staff navigate the complexities of the program. The forums will take place:

- Tuesday, October 9th, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., Cheer Community Center, Georgetown.
- Wednesday, October 10th, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., DEL TECH Terry Campus, Dover.
- Thursday October 11th, 8:00 - 11:30 a.m. or 12:30 - 4:00 p.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark.

This is an opportunity to hear from the experts, ask questions and speak with other Highmark Health Option Providers. [For registration information.](#)

## **MSD Member News**

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*Stephen R. Permut, MD, JD Receives Tilton Award*





More than one hundred friends, family and colleagues gathered to honor MSD Past President, Stephen R. Permut, MD, who was awarded the 2018 Tilton Award last weekend at the University and Whist Club in Wilmington. Dr. Permut received the award for his years of leadership, vision, and life-long commitment to service to the profession of medicine. Congratulations Dr. Permut! [View photo gallery.](#)

## National PA Week

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*October 6-12th*

Every year from October 6-12, we celebrate National



PA Week, which recognizes the PA profession and its contributions to the nation's health. This week is also an opportunity to raise awareness and visibility of the profession. With more than 600 licensed PA's

in Delaware, please wish them a  
Happy PA week!

## MSD Newsmakers

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*Michael J. Bradley, DO*



The Delaware Institute for Medical Education and Research (DIMER) program received some attention in a recent article written by MSD Past

President, Michael J. Bradley, DO. The article, printed in the *Delaware Business Times*, highlights the history and success of the 49 year old program that provides opportunities for state residents to have preferred access to medical education. [Read article.](#)

## Help a High School Student Discover Medicine!

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*Apollo - Youth in Medicine Program Needs Your Help*



MSD is looking for physician volunteers to share their knowledge by welcoming a selected high school student into their office to "shadow" for a few hours. The

program, *Apollo - Youth in Medicine*, is a pilot program designed to offer high school students interested in a career in medicine an up-close view of a physician's day. This pilot program, spearheaded by Delaware Youth Leadership Network (DYLN) with the help of MSD past president Randeep Kahlon, MD and MSD, will take place in early November. Please consider hosting a student and sharing your experience. [For more information](#) or email Randeep Kahlon, MD at [rkahlon@fsortho.com](mailto:rkahlon@fsortho.com).

## **MSD Member Discount Opportunities**

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### *University and Whist Club Offers MSD Member Discount*



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University and Whist Club, a fine dining membership club and the home of the Tilton Mansion, is offering a 50% discount for membership to all MSD members. The club features both formal and informal dining, catering, meeting space and year round special events. [For more information.](#)

# MSD Practice Management Session - PMP

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## *What You Must Know About the DE Prescription Monitoring Program*

MSD is hosting a Practice Management Session on the Delaware Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PMP), Tuesday, November 13th from 8:00-10:00 a.m., at the MSD Conference Center in Newark. Everyone who holds an active Delaware Controlled Substance Registration (CSR) must register with the PMP. Find out the latest on this important program and how to navigate it, learn about Narxcare, get information about the rules on delegates and authorized users, and hear the latest activities of the PMP Advisory Committee and the Addiction Action Committee. [To register.](#)

## Medical Front Office Skills Certificate Program

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### *Help Your Staff Maximize Their Time and Skills*

MSD in  
partnership  
with the  
Practice



Management Institute is offering a Medical Front Office Skills Certificate program to teach

customer service techniques, communications skills, data collection, medical terminology, front desk operations, insurance basics, billing and collection tips, compliance and much more. This class will be held Oct. 16 & 17 at the MSD Conference Center in Newark or November 8 & 9 at the Eden Hill Medical Center in Dover. Help your office staff maximize their time and their effort! [To register.](#)

## Pending Member

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*Christine E. Metzging, MD*

MSD members are afforded a 7 day review period from the date of this publication to comment regarding an applicant applying for membership. Please contact Mary LaJudice at (302) 224-5183 or [Mary.LaJudice@medsocdel.org](mailto:Mary.LaJudice@medsocdel.org) with any questions or concerns.

## "Rerum Cognoscere"

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The Latin phrase *Rerum Cognoscere* translates to learn, examine, or become aware of facts or things. In this section we highlight measurable items of interest in health care from MSD, Delaware, the US, and the world.

<b>7 in 10</b> Number of high school students	<b>63%</b> Percentage of all stolen health records reported from 2010 to 2017 that were from health	<b>40%</b> Percentage of Medicare enrollees who admitted to skipping or delaying medical care
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<p>who average less than eight hours of sleep a night. Eight to ten hours is recommended.</p> <p>Reuters, Oct. 1, 2018</p>	<p>plans.</p> <p>Reuters, Sept. 25, 2018</p>	<p>in order to save money.</p> <p>CNBC, Sept. 29, 2018</p>
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## Upcoming Events

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- October 10** - [Highmark Health Options Provider Forum](#), 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., DEL TECH Terry Campus, Dover.
- October 11** - [Highmark Health Options Provider Forum](#), 8:00 - 11:30 a.m., or 12:30 - 4:00 p.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark.
- October 13** - [Neurological Patient Issues: Dealing with Anesthesia and Surgery](#), 8:30 a.m. - noon, Conley's Methodist Church, Lewes.
- October 16-17** - [Medical Front Office Skills Certificate Program](#), 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark.
- October 22, 24** - [Aligning Your Personal and Business Goals - Financial Education for Business Owners](#), 6:00 - 8:30 p.m., Wilmington University, New Castle.
- October 23, 25** - [Aligning Your Personal and Business Goals - Financial Education for Business Owners](#), 8:00 - 10:30 a.m., Wilmington University, New Castle.
- October 26** - [Arthritis Foundation Annual Bone Bash](#), 6:30 - 10:30 p.m., DuPont Country Club, Wilmington.
- October 27** - [11th Annual Delaware Orthopaedic Symposium](#), 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., John H. Ammon Medical Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.
- October 30** - [22nd Annual Delaware Healthcare Forum](#), 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Del Tech, Terry Campus, Dover.
- November 1** - [Proassurance Physician Risk Management Seminar](#) - 5:30 - 8:00 p.m., Chase Center on the Riverfront, Wilmington.
- November 1** - [American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network Tri-State Forum - Palliative Care and Pain Management](#), 7:30 a.m., Independence Blue Cross, Philadelphia.



**November 8-9** - [Medical Front Office Skills Certificate Program](#), 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Eden Hill Medical Center, Dover.

**November 13** - [MSD Practice Management Session: Delaware Prescription Drug Monitoring Program](#), 8:00 - 10:00 a.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark.

**November 17** - [Medical Society of Delaware's 229th Annual Meeting & Inaugural Gala](#). MSD Conference Center, Newark / DuPont Country Club, Wilmington.

**December 10** - [2018 Health Summit: Communicable Diseases](#), 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., John H. Ammon Medical Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.



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