

MSD Holiday Hours

Good Friday



The Medical Society of Delaware offices will be closed on Friday,

April 18th in observation of Good Friday. We would like to wish all our members a very happy and healthy Easter and Passover.

Governor Signs Tobacco 21

New Law Comes With Stiff Fines



Governor Carney signed the "Tobacco 21" bill into law this week, raising the legal age to purchase tobacco products in the state from 18 to 21. The new law includes not only cigarettes, but e-

cigarettes and vaping pens as well. Starting July 16, 2019, retailers caught selling tobacco products to anyone under 21 will face fines ranging from \$250 to \$1,000. [Read more.](#)

MedNet to Collaborate With PA Medical Society

Joint Initiative For Value-Based Care Contracting



MSD and the Pennsylvania Medical Society (PAMED) have joined together to explore development of a joint approach to pursue value-based care arrangements for physicians in DE and PA. The initiative joins efforts by MSD subsidiary, Medical Network Management Services of Delaware, LLC (MedNet), and PAMED's subsidiary, The Care Centered Collaborative, to collectively identify a pathway for the development of a unique regional enterprise dedicated to improving access to quality care, reducing costs, and improving both patient satisfaction and physician satisfaction in both states. [Read more.](#)

Blood Bank of Delmarva in Critical Need

Holiday Weekend Creating Challenges



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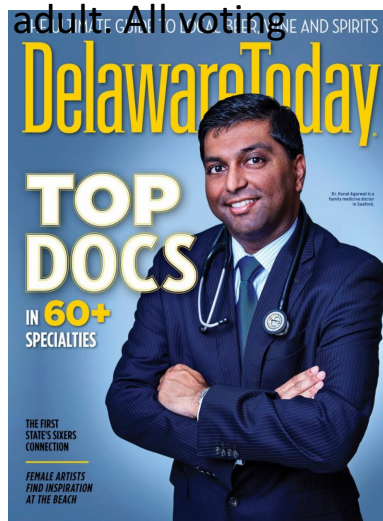
Delmarva has issued an urgent appeal for blood and platelet donations. According to the blood supplier, it takes more than 350 donors daily to supply the 19 hospitals throughout the Delmarva Peninsula with the blood products they need. Current reserves are critically low and the long holiday weekend is expected to worsen the situation. [To donate.](#)

Delaware Today "Top Doc" Votes Needed

Who Do You Think is the Best?

Who are the best physicians in Delaware? Which doctors would you recommend to a loved one? *Delaware Today* wants your votes for *Delaware Today's "Top Doctors 2019" issue*. This year categories are divided into two sections -

pediatric and adult. All voting physicians must be licensed in Delaware and all nominees must practice in Delaware. The ballot closes May 17th. For questions, call the Delaware Today office at (302) 656-1809. [Cast your vote.](#)



New Sexual Harassment Law Obligations

Do You Know Your Requirements?



Effective January 1, 2019, a new Delaware law specifies that employers with four or more employees must provide an information sheet about sexual harassment to each of their employees upon hire. Employers with 50 or more employees must provide sexual harassment prevention training to each of their employees within one year of hire.

[Read more.](#)

Practice Management Session - Sexual Harassment

*Let Us Help You Understand the
New Law*



MSD is offering a Sexual Harassment Law & Employer Obligation Practice Management Session on Tuesday, May 7, from 8:00 - 10:30 a.m. at the MSD Conference Center in Newark with video conferencing to Bayhealth Kent General Hospital. Find out about the 2019 law mandating employers provide sexual harassment training to their employees. This session will cover what the Delaware employers' obligations are, how to comply with this new law, and malpractice requirements. [To register.](#)

"Rerum Cognoscere"

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,

10th Suicide was the 10th leading cause of death in the United States in 2017. 14 per 100K people commit suicide each year. Centers For Medicare & Medicaid Services	4X Workplace violence is four times more common in health care than in private industry. Occupational Safety and Health Administration	1/2 Nearly half of emergency physicians polled reported being physically assaulted in 2018. American College of Emergency Physicians
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Upcoming Events

May 1 - [Annual Delaware Trauma Symposium](#), 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Chase Center at the Riverfront, Wilmington.

May 2 - [2019 Focus on Hypertension Symposium](#), 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., John H. Ammon Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.

May 7 - MSD Practice Management Session - [DE Sexual Harassment Law & Employer Obligation](#), 8:00 - 10:30 a.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark.

May 7 - [56th Annual William J. Holloway Infectious Disease Symposium](#), John H. Ammon Education Center, Christiana Hospital, Newark.

May 9 - [2019 Hospice and Palliative Care Conference and Excellence Awards](#), Duncan Center, Dover.

May 16-17 - [Medical Front Office Skills Certificate Program](#), 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., MSD Conference Center, Newark.

May 16 - [First Chance of DE: Helping Delaware Kids on a Path Toward Health and Success](#), 3:15 p.m. Presented by DE Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics & Wilmington New Castle Pediatric Association, MSD Conference Center, Newark.

May 16 - DE Section, American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Annual Spring CME Dinner. [Maternal Mental Health and Mood Disorders](#), Duncan Center, Dover.

June 13-14 - [Medical Front Office Skills Certificate Program](#), 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Eden Hill Medical

Center, Dover.

June 17-21 - [University of Delaware's 42nd Annual Eastern Shore Medical Symposium](#), Rehoboth Beach.



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