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Reminders

2018 HEALTH SUMMIT:

December 10, 2018 at Christiana Care Ammon Center from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. To register:
<http://reg.planetreg.com/2018HealthSummit>

MSD MEMBERS RECEIVE DISCOUNTS ON SERVICES

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Hepatitis A Outbreak in PA

The Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) is issuing a health advisory to advise health care providers of an ongoing outbreak of Hepatitis A Virus (HAV) in multiple states among persons reporting drug use and/or homelessness and their contacts. The sudden HAV increases in western Pennsylvania along with ongoing outbreaks across the U.S. highlight the potential for additional HAV increases in Philadelphia, as well as Delaware, due to proximity to larger outbreaks and/or expanded transmission among risk groups, especially people who use drugs and/or are homeless. For more information visit: <https://tinyurl.com/HAVOutbreak>.

DEA Warns Public of Extortion Scam by DEA Agent Impersonators

The Drug Enforcement Administration is warning the public about criminals posing as DEA Special Agents or other law enforcement personnel as part of an international extortion scheme. The public should be aware that no DEA agent will ever contact members of the public by telephone to demand money or any other form of payment. Anyone receiving a telephone call from a person purporting to be a DEA special agent or other law enforcement official seeking money should refuse the demand and report the threat using the online form that can be found on the DEA's website <https://tinyurl.com/SCAM-DEA>.

CMS Webinar Rescheduled

The CMS webinar that was scheduled for December 5th on the 2019 Medical Physician Fee Schedule Proposed Rule has been rescheduled due to the closure of the Federal Government in honor of the Presidential funeral. The webinar is rescheduled for **December 13th at 12:00 pm**. This webinar is free to MSD members and their staff. The non-member fee to participate is \$25.00. For more information and to register please visit: <https://reg.planetreg.com/FinalRule2019Webinar>.

MSD 2019 Insurance Payers Workshop

Registration Open! The next MSD Practice Management & Leadership Education Session: 2019 Insurance Payers Workshop will be held on **Tuesday, January 15 from 8:00 am – 11:00 am** at the MSD Conference Center in Newark with video conferencing to Bayhealth Hospital, Kent Campus. Representatives of Aetna, AmeriHealth Caritas, Highmark, United Healthcare, and CMS will provide a 2019 update. To register visit: <https://reg.planetReg.com/2019IPW>.

Highmark Announces eviCore as New Prior Auth Management Program

Highmark is transitioning its utilization management program to eviCore healthcare. The program will take effect on December 17, 2018, for dates of service beginning January 1, 2019. Highmark is offering free webinar orientation sessions followed by question-and-answer sessions to discuss in detail the prior authorization requirements for Highmark members and how to navigate the web portal. To register, visit <https://evicore.webex.com/>, Click on the "Webex Training" link. Click the "Upcoming" tab and Choose the "Highmark Advanced Imaging and Cardiology Services Provider Orientation Session" date you wish to attend. Click "Register," and enter the registration information. For more information visit: <https://tinyurl.com/HM-eviCore>.

Holiday Food Drive: Together We Can Make a Difference

This holiday season in efforts to help fight hunger, MSD will be collecting canned and dry goods (non-perishables) to donate to the Helping Hands food pantry of Bethel Tabernade in Frankford, Delaware. Together we hope our combined donations will make a real difference for those in need. Donations will be collected between **Nov. 1 – Dec 14th** at the Medical Society of Delaware, 900 Prides Crossing in Newark. We will have collection boxes by the entrance, as well as by the front desk. For monetary tax deductible 501 (c) (3) donations, please make checks payable to: Bethel Helping Hands Food Bank. For more information visit: <https://tinyurl.com/MSDFoodDrive>.

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