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Reminders

CERTIFIED MEDICAL CODER

Registration open for Certified Medical Coder course and exam scheduled for: October 11, 18, 25, November 1, & 8 at the MSD Conference Center in Newark. Register at: <https://reg.planetreg.com/CMC2019>

CERTIFIED MEDICAL OFFICE MANAGER

Registration open for Certified Medical Office Manager course and exam scheduled for: September 12, 13, 19, & 20 at Eden Hill Medical Center in Dover. Register at: <https://reg.planetreg.com/CMOM2019>

MSD MEMBERS RECEIVE DISCOUNTS ON SERVICES

See list of Affinity Partners at <http://tinyurl.com/affinitypartners>

CONFERENCE ROOM SPACE

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Physicians Required to Renew CSR by June 30th

Delaware physicians must renew their controlled substance registration (CSR) by June 30, 2019. Physicians renewing their CSR must attest to the completion of two-hours of education (non-Delaware specific) in the areas of controlled substance prescribing practices, treatment of chronic pain, or other topics related to the prescribing of controlled substances. MSD provides links to CME-related to controlled substance prescribing on our website, for more information please visit <http://tinyurl.com/MSDEducation>. The one-hour Delaware-specific education is not required for CSR renewals and is only required now for new CSR requests.

New Medicare Part D Policies Address Opioid Epidemic

As part of prevention efforts, CMS introduced new Medicare Part D opioid safety policies to reduce prescription opioid misuse while preserving medically necessary access to these medications. These interventions do not apply to residents of long-term care facilities, beneficiaries in hospice, palliative, or end-of-life care, and beneficiaries being treated for active cancer-related pain. The new Medicare Part D opioid policies encourage collaboration and care coordination among Medicare drug plans, pharmacies, prescribers, and patients in order to improve opioid management, prevent opioid misuse, and promote safer prescribing practices. For more information visit: <http://tinyurl.com/MLN4-19>.

MSD Physician Leadership Series

The Medical Society of Delaware has launched the "Excellence in Physician Leadership Series, A Certificate Program in Leadership Development" as a 12-week self-paced certificate program in physician leadership education and development which includes attendance at two required live sessions. This program will share the relevant skills necessary for leadership excellence and equip physicians with practical tools in finance, practice improvement, strategy, and decision-making to empower physicians to effectively participate in leading organizations in the rapidly changing world of health reform. **Open enrollment will begin on April 30, 2019.** For more information and to register visit: <https://reg.planetreg.com/leadershipcohort2>.

DE Sexual Harassment Law & Employer Obligations

Registration Open! Please join us for the next MSD Practice Management & Education session on **Tuesday, May 7, from 8:00 am – 10:30 am** at the MSD Conference Center in Newark, DE with video conferencing to Bayhealth Kent General Hospital. On August 2018 Governor Carney signed Delaware sexual harassment law that became effective on January 1, 2019. All Delaware employers must comply with this law by July 1, 2019, and requires some employers to provide sexual harassment training to all their employees by December 31, 2019. This session will cover what the Delaware employers' obligations are, how to comply with this new law, and malpractice requirements. To register visit: <https://reg.planetreg.com/PMES2019>.

Medical Front Office Skills Certificate Program

Registration Open! The role of the medical office receptionist has changed in recent years. No longer are the duties of front desk personnel limited to answering the phone and making appointments for patients. Productivity of a staff member depends on knowledge, skills, and training. MSD, in partnership with Practice Management Institute, offers a Medical Front Office Skills Certificate Program and is scheduled at two locations for your convenience, **May 16 & 17 from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm at the MSD Conference Center in Newark, and on June 13 & 14 at the Eden Hill Medical Center in Dover, DE.** This program will cover: customer service, communication techniques, data collection, medical terminology, front desk operations, insurance basics, billing and collections, and much more. To register please visit: <https://reg.planetreg.com/MFOS2019>.

MSD PEP Partner Spotlight – ProAssurance

Premier Educational Partners have joined with the Medical Society of Delaware in supporting high quality professional medical education for Delaware physicians and other health care professionals to advance the health and well-being of Delaware's citizens. With ProAssurance you're choosing professional liability insurance from a company that health care professionals have relied on for decades. ProAssurance treats you fairly, making it easier to navigate today's changing health care environment with single-source coverage that meets your unique needs. We make insurance simpler. For more information visit: <https://www.proassurance.com/>