



Medical Society of Delaware Major Accomplishments-2014

“Why Membership Matters”

MSD LAUNCHES ACO

MSD and its MedNet subsidiary successfully launched the Quality Blue ACO in collaboration with Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield of Delaware. This 3 year partnership with the state's largest insurer formally commenced on July 1st and is the first and only state-wide, physician-led initiative of its kind, providing MSD members an opportunity to lead Delaware's health care reform efforts.

ADVOCACY & GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

MSD's aggressive advocacy on behalf of the medical profession in our state resulted in defeating legislation planned to dictate exact language physicians must use when sharing a certain diagnosis to their patients. This bill, had it become law, would have been a serious encroachment on clinical autonomy, forcing physicians to use particular statutory language when the diagnosis of “dense breast” is made.

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE CME

Through the volunteer efforts of MSD members, the Society developed the state-approved, Delaware-specific curriculum required for Delaware controlled substance registration. This internet-based CME program pertaining to the prescribing and distribution of controlled substances has been produced “by physicians for physicians,” thanks to the efforts of MSD.

PRACTICE MANAGEMENT

MSD Physician Relations staff receives almost 100 calls per month from our members seeking day-to-day practice guidance on a wide range of topics, from third party payer issues and regulatory concerns, to human resources and billing issues. In addition, we offer practice management and coding certification which strengthens the skill set of your staff, enabling your practice to be successful in an ever-changing health care landscape.

PRACTICE MANAGER CERTIFICATION

MSD launched the Certified Medical Office Manager (CMOM) and Certified Medical Coder (CMC) classes in 2014. With over 50 Delaware practice managers obtaining nationally recognized certifications through MSD thus far, these programs have proven to be a great success for MSD and a tremendous value for MSD members and their practice managers.