A Message from the Leadership

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Welcome colleagues, professionals, students, and members of the public health community alike, to the first edition of the newly developed publication of the Delaware Academy of Medicine/Delaware Public Health Association. “The Delaware Journal of Public Health” will be an electronic publication released on a bi-monthly basis. Ultimately, this will become a monthly publication, acting as a repository of news for the medical, dental, and public health communities, upcoming event announcements, past conference synopses, peer-reviewed content, and a career section, as well as a section specific to the public health sector.

We start this publication off on a number of high notes - the passage of HB 64, Delaware Medical Orders for Scope of Treatment (DMOST) legislation; HB 5, the addition of e-cigarettes to the clean Air Act; and HB91 - Amend Title 14 of the Delaware code relating to the public school enrollees’ immunization program. Each of these developments bring us one step closer to our goal of Delaware being one of the 5 healthiest states in the country in one generation.

Notably, all of these changes are a result of team efforts, involving scores of institutions and individuals, from a variety of sectors, collaborating together.

Three closing thoughts - first, the strength of the Academy of Medicine / Delaware Public Health Association comes from its members, subscribers, and affiliates. As you support us in our work, we support you in yours. Please do consider becoming an individual member. Second, if you are on social media, please find us on LinkedIn, Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube. Third, the content of this publication is informed by your interest - so please, let us know what you want to hear about, what events you have coming up, submit an op-ed for consideration, or share a recent job opening.

Additionally, we will be announcing the peer-reviewed article process in the near future, so stay tuned for that as well.

In partnership for a healthier Delaware,

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