

MEETING AND TRAINING SESSIONS

2022 MINOR ATHLETE ABUSE PREVENTION POLICIES



POLICY APPLICATION

- Policy applies to all In-Program training sessions and meetings.
- Requirements for meetings with a licensed mental health care professional or health care provider apply at sanctioned events and facilities partially or fully under the Organization's jurisdiction.

POLICY REQUIREMENTS

- 1 Must follow **ALL** aspects of the One-on-One Interactions Policy.
 - Observable
 - Interruptible
- 2 Advanced written consent is required from a parent/guardian annually for all In-Program individual training sessions.
 - Consent can be withdrawn at any time.
- **3** Parents/guardians must be allowed to observe the training session.
- 4 Meetings with licensed mental health care professionals or health care providers (not including athletic trainers) do not have to be observable and interruptible if:
 - The door remains unlocked.
 - Another adult is present in the facility and aware of the meeting.
 - The Organization is aware of the meeting.
 - Provider must obtain consent from the parent/guardian per applicable laws and ethical standards.

POLICY EXCEPTIONS

If one of the following exceptions exists with appropriate consent, In-Program transportation is not required to follow the One-on-One Interactions policy.

- 1 Emergency.
- 2 Dual Relationship The Adult Participant has an existing relationship with Minor Athlete outside of the sport program.
- 3 Close-in-Age The Adult Participant has no authority over the Minor Athlete and is not more than 4 years older than the Minor Athlete.
- 4 Personal Care Assistant The Adult Participant is a Personal Care Assistant and has met all the requirements.

COMMON QUESTIONS

Can an individual training session be observable but not interruptible as long as a parent/guardian provides consent?



A: No. Individual training sessions must ALWAYS be observable and interruptible unless one of the exceptions exists. Parent/guardian consent is required annually for ALL training sessions.

Is advanced written consent required for a coach to provide individual instruction during practice sessions or competitions?



A: No. Individual instruction during a practice with other Minor Athletes present does not require consent. The instruction must still follow the One-on-One Interactions Policy.