



Colorado Sports Concussion Special Interest Group

Denver University
July 22, 2010
6:00 - 8:30 pm

AGENDA

6:00 Welcome and Introductions- Julie Campbell and Sign-in sheet

Old Business:

6:20 Welcome and review of SIG Composition and Purpose- Gavin Attwood, BIAC.
Proposed language:

The Colorado Sports Concussion Special Interest Group (SIG) is a volunteer coalition of physicians, neuropsychologists, athletic trainers, nurses, Colorado High School Activities Association, coaches, attorneys, parents, and advocacy groups concerned about the safety of youth in sports in Colorado. Created in November 2009 by interested professionals and organized under the umbrella of the Brain Injury Association of Colorado, the purpose of the Sports Concussion SIG is to study the issue of concussion in youth sports in Colorado, to develop a network of concussion expertise and resources, and to make recommendations to BIAC, CHSAA, school districts, private clubs, coaches, parents, athletes that may be used in future legislation. Participation in the SIG is open to the public and there is no cost.

6:40 Update from CHSAA on implementation of Concussion By-Laws. Bethany Schott

7:00 Update on new developments regarding Legislation since the May meeting. Kenny Hosack, Don Gerber, and Gavin Attwood, facilitators.

- NFL Commissioner letter to the Governors asking for individual state legislation
- Senator Spence secured Concussion a "bill title" and has requested a Position Statement from BIAC and the SIG.

Recommendation that SIG create a Subcommittee to develop a Position Statement including recommendations for education, removal from play, return to play, and return to non-sports activity. It is further suggested that if a consensus cannot be reached regarding specific language of Position Statement, that there be a provision for a Minority Opinion. Discussion.

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New Business

8:00 Clarification of CHSAA By-Law regarding licensed practitioners. Is there a CSHAA policy or provision for the addition of other disciplines?

CHSAA 1790.2 If at any time during participation, a licensed practitioner removes an athlete from participation because of an illness or injury, the athlete must have a written release from a licensed practitioner before participating again. The release may be satisfied if upon removal the licensed practitioner specifies the duration of the student's restriction from participation.

Q8: For the purposes of By-law 1790.2, who are "licensed practitioners"?

A8: MD's, DO's, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants.

8:15 Schedule upcoming meetings

8:20 Other Announcements

8:30 Adjourn