

MINOR ATHLETE ABUSE PREVENTION POLICY

OFFICIALS-WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

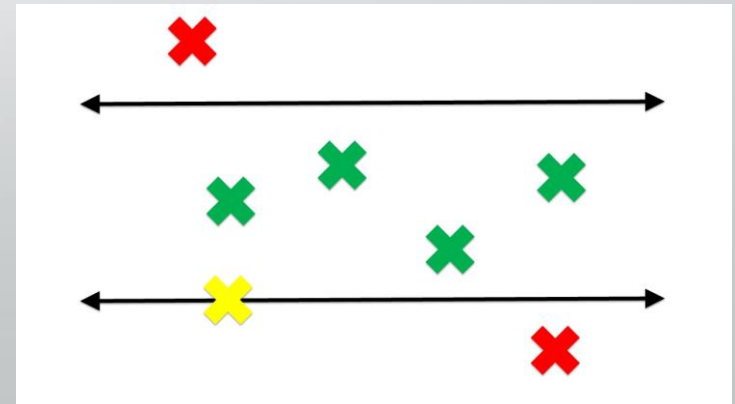


BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW of MAAPP

- CONGRESSIONAL MANDATE
- APPROVED BY USA SWIMMING BOD APRIL 26TH
- EFFECTIVE JUNE 23 2019
- SEPTEMBER CONVENTION- APPROVED AT HOD TO MAINTAIN STATUS AS NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY

MAAPP HIGHLIGHTS

- THERE WILL BE COMPLIANCE CHECKS AT ALL LEVELS
- MUST BE IMPLEMENTED AS IS AT TEAM AND LSC LEVEL (NO OMISSIONS) BUT CAN ADD TO TAILOR TO TEAM OR LSC.
- RESOURCES AND WEBINARS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE
- ASK QUESTIONS



BEFORE MEET

- ADULT ATHLETES (AGE 18) MUST COMPLETE ATHLETE PROTECTION TRAINING, CAN NOT COMPETE IF NOT CURRENT.
- FLAG ON MEET RECONCILIATION/ REGISTRAR
- EDUCATION SUGGESTED-PLAN GROUPS OF ATHLETES TO TAKE TOGETHER
- PRESENT AT PARENT MEETINGS, REGISTRATION NIGHTS, CHECK BOX ON TEAMUNIFY REGISTRATION (for example)
- **REVIEW PAGES OF FAQ'S and MEET LANGUAGE**



- TIMERS, MARSHALLS, ETC DO NOT HAVE TO BE BACKGROUND CHECKED, Must check in, best to sign in, MAAPP volunteer badges are helpful
- APPLICABLE ADULTS ARE ANY MEMBER *AND NON-MEMBER* THAT HAS AUTHORITY OVER MINOR ATHLETES
- *CLUBS MUST KEEP WRITTEN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ANNUALLY*
- **COMMON SENSE IS KEY**

EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES-COMMUNICATION

- BLANKET CONSENT FROM PARENTS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE-must be dated and specific.

ONE ON ONE INTERACTIONS

- OBSERVABLE AND INTERRUPTIBLE
- ANOTHER ADULT/OFFICIAL PRESENT
- DOORS/CURTAINS OPEN
- NO SHARED HOTEL ROOM OR OVERNIGHT LODGING DURING TEAM TRAVEL
- MENTAL HEALTH OR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS EXCEPTIONS TO PROTECT PRIVACY

SOCIAL MEDIA AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

- MUST BE PROFESSIONAL IN NATURE
- OPEN AND TRANSPARENT- LEGAL GUARDIAN or COACH MUST BE COPIED
- TEAM COMMUNICATION IS OK IF ANOTHER ADULT IS COPIED
- 8 AM TO 9 PM UNLESS EMERGENCY OR TEAM TRAVEL
- NO PRIVATE SOCIAL MEDIA UNLESS A FAN/CELEBRITY PAGE. TEAM PAGE IS OK. MUST 'UNFRIEND' IF NOT YOUR CHILD



TEAM TRAVEL

- LOCAL TRAVEL- ALWAYS TWO ATHLETES OR A SECOND ADULT UNLESS IN WRITING FROM LEGAL GUARDIAN
- TWO DEEP LEADERSHIP
- OBSERVABLE AND INTERRUPTIBLE ENVIRONMENTS
- ADULT ATHLETES MAY SHARE ROOMS WITH MINOR ATHLETES WITH PARENT PERMISSION
- AIRBNB, CAMP OUTS, CONDOS- not allowed for TEAM TRAVEL
- REPLACES CURRENT TRAVEL POLICIES



THINK

- ADULT ATHLETES MAY SHARE ROOMS WITH MINOR ATHLETES WITH PARENT PERMISSION (SIMILAR AGE RANGE)
- ATHLETES ARE STILL FRIENDS WHEN ONE TURNS 18.
- COMMON SENSE IS A MUST

LOCKER ROOM AND CHANGING AREAS

- What is your monitoring plan?
- Use locker rooms
- Prefer separate areas /facilities for Coaches and Officials
- Turn around, don't parade around, do not show private parts
- No adults alone with minors... doesn't apply to the public. 😞 Legal guardians are discouraged not prohibited.

MASSAGES & RUBDOWNS

- As a team function or training modality; does not apply to a personal massage at non-team function
- Open and interruptible location by certified/licensed professional
- Coach must not perform under any circumstances
- Written consent
- Second adult must be present
- Do not help athletes stretch or apply creams/ointments



REPORTING-HOW?

**(720) 524-5640, or find more
information at**

www.uscenterforsafesport.org

What do I Report?

- Your contact information
- Address of where the incident happened.
- The specific act (or failure to act).
- How is this hurting the child.
- Specific Information
 - Name & age of the child;
 - Address where the child can be located;
 - Reason for initiating the report;
 - Negative impacts on the child;
 - Name of alleged perpetrator, if known;
 - Whether the child is in imminent danger;
and
 - Contact information for all involved.



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WHERE DO I REPORT?

Where do I Make a Report?

- Google the appropriate jurisdiction to report
 - Criminal- where the alleged crime happened
 - Child Abuse- where the child lives
- Make the phone call
 - Criminal- law enforcement number
 - “I’m calling to report sexual misconduct/abuse between an adult and minor.”
 - Child Abuse- child abuse hotline
 - “I’m calling to report child abuse from a parent/coach.”

Pocket Card Workgroup
IESSAFESPORT@GMAIL.COM



CONTACTS

PREVENT ~ RESPOND ~ REPORT

- <https://www.usaswimming.org/Home/safe-sport>
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