



EMSA Covid-19 Response Committee Minutes

Thursday, April 1, 2021 @ 7:00pm

Committee members:

In attendance: Eliana Caranci (EMSA), Michelle Orsini (EMSA), Mark Mohammed (Alliance), Dave Humphrey (EMSRA), Kayla Marcoux (West End Blues), Chris Gardiner (EMDSL)

Regrets: Jenn Groen (St. Thomas), Dan Wybo (WOSL), Simon Karahalios (EMSA), Nelson Rodrigues (LAWSL), Dave DeBenedictis (London FC), Chris (LOSL), Tom Partalas (BMO), Abbi Lezizidis (Whitecaps), Mark Locker (Tillsonburg)

Meeting Called to Order at 7:05pm

1. Welcoming Remarks by Eliana Caranci

2. EMSA Report:

Eliana: OS Letter and OS Reports

- Do we need more guidance on travel? MLHU has been quite clear that travel is allowed with guidelines but other health units have not been. Would like to take it to the board. Just inconsistent between health units.
- OS Letter just unfortunate timing with entering lockdown
- In Grey Zone there is a change – you can train in groups of 10 which previously was no training at all
- Please remind all your organization members to refer to the EMSA FAQs, constantly changing, very good resource
- Each organization should tailor the RTP guide to be specific to your club/league etc.

3. Survey Monkey Responses & Next Steps:

Eliana:

- RTP guides, interest in mentorship, more technical training biggest takeaways
- would like to know how we can support the tech piece and will bring this to EMSA board

4. Round Table - Consider 2021 preparations, response to League plans, registration, questions for EMSA, concerns etc.:

a) League Updates:

- EMDSL did their registration on the weekend and had great numbers register. Still wondering how to work out the bubbles and teams however even if they get to play 5 games it's better than none. Older age groups will likely continue as 11 v 11 with 18 players each team.



- WOSL has created a format; hoping we can share the system, just waiting for confirmation from their Board that we can share it. If we can, we will email it out.
- Every week the league schedulers need to review the weekly OS memo and have the participating Health Unit websites handy to see what colour zone they are in to properly schedule each game
- Eliana: Prioritize the same coloured zones in different health units playing FIRST, save same health unit teams for later
- b) BMO Updates – closed
- c) Club Updates:
 - Kayla: Just plugging away, a lot of work, have lots of support, thanks.
 - Michelle: Oakridge has opened registration. Shut down training for now due to lockdown.
 - Mark: Not an update but a question about OS memo. Is it possible to post on the EMSA website to indicate what zone we are in and how it affects soccer.
 - Eliana: Great suggestion unfortunately EMSA has more than 1 health unit so not sure that could work, there are 5-7 health units in EMSA.
- d) EMSRA Updates:
 - Dave H.: online education is running, registration is active for clinics, get the word out! Planning as though we will have a season this summer.

6. Closing Remarks:

Eliana: Thank you to all of you who showed up and it's been a productive little meeting!

7. Meeting adjourned by Michelle at 8:06pm