



EMSA Covid-19 Pandemic Response Committee

Committee Description

Those directly participating in the Committee include:

- EMSA Board Representatives and EMSA Administrator
- League representatives (MMSL, LAWSL, WOSL, EMDSL, LOSL)
- Select Club representatives from rural/urban areas and across health units.
- OPDL Club representatives
- EMSRA-Match official representative
- BMO facility representative

Those who aren't directly participating; however, may be contacted for consultation are:

- Other EMSA Board Executive and staff
- Other EMSA Members not directly participating in the Committee
- Each of the four health units within our District and/or health units of outside organizations that participate in our District Leagues (Lambton Public Health, Southwestern Public Health, Chatham-Kent Public Health, Elgin-Middlesex Health Unit)
- Ontario Soccer
- Canada Soccer

Goals:

1. To promote the safety, health of well-being of EMSA members during the pandemic.
2. To provide information to EMSA members as it pertains to ongoing changes related to the pandemic.
3. To ensure that all EMSA members continue to have the “tools” required to adhere to Canada Soccer and Ontario Soccer RTP guidelines/regulations *and* local Public Health Regulations.
4. To discuss the pandemic impact on the game of soccer both provincially and foremost locally.
5. When identifying the impact of the pandemic on soccer, this committee could develop processes/strategies to overcome barriers to the local development of the sport.

What this Committee will NOT do:

- Replace recommendations put forth by Canada Soccer, Ontario Soccer (RTP Guide) or local public Health Units. Concerns/issues pertaining to the OS RTP or Health Unit measures can be discussed with the Committee and taken to the EMSA Board for review.
- Change EMSA policies/procedures. This Committee can recommend changes in response to the pandemic; however, all recommendations will be directed to the EMSA Board for review and decision-making.
- Provide medical guidance.
- Although Discipline Panels may consult with members on the Committee, this Committee is NOT directly involved in discipline matters or complaints.

Responsibilities of the EMSA Executive Representatives and Administrator:

- Facilitate Committee meetings and agendas.
- Report to the EMSA Board monthly on Committee discussions/initiatives.
- Facilitate discussions around the impact of the pandemic in the soccer community and by doing so, encourage Committee initiatives to address these impacts.
- Share information with the Committee (and other members not in attendance) of:
 - Provincial Health Regulations and/or the Health Unit(s) measures
 - Ontario Soccer RTP Guidelines and Bulletins
 - Updates on EMSA policies/procedures and it pertains to the evolving pandemic
 - Other

Responsibilities of the Committee Participants:

- Attend monthly meetings on the first Thursday of every month or as needed based on the evolving changes of the pandemic.
- Consider the membership as a whole, not just the organization or area you represent.
- Respect all participants' opinions without judgement or criticism.
- Collaborate freely with Committee members on current issues/concerns and understand that some decisions are to be made at the EMSA Board level.
- Participate in Committee initiatives/projects.

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