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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

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To: Local Educational Agency Leads, Administrators of Approved Private Schools of Students with Disabilities
Route To: Principals, School Physicians, School Nurses, Athletic Directors, Athletic Trainers
From: Kathy Ehling, Assistant Commissioner
Division of Educational Services

Revised Health History Update Questionnaire

This memo serves to advise all districts, charter schools, renaissance school projects, nonpublic schools, and approved private schools for students with disabilities that the Health History Update Questionnaire has been updated. The revised questionnaire removes one question related to the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) from the previous version released on June 17, 2020. Several questions related to COVID-19 remain as they were deemed medically important for considering safety precautions for student athletes.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-41.7(b), the Health History Update Questionnaire is to be completed and signed by a student-athlete's parent or guardian when the student-athlete's last physical examination was completed more than ninety (90) days prior to the first day of official practice in an athletic season. Once completed, the Health History Update Questionnaire shall be reviewed by the school nurse and, if applicable, the school athletic trainer. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-4, if an answer to a question on the Health History Update Questionnaire is yes, the certified school nurse and school physician (or other designated medical professional) shall determine whether additional medical attention and/or further evaluation is necessary. As with all health records, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:32-7, these forms must be maintained in the school health office.

The updated Health History Update Questionnaire can be found on the Department's [Scholastic Student-Athlete Safety Act webpage](#).

Contact Information

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Student Support Services at healthyschools@doe.nj.gov.

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