COVID-19 Sports Facilities Considerations

These are things to think about as you craft your local use policies.

1. What is the status of the peacetime emergency?
2. What “phase” of return to play is currently in effect?
3. Are there any local regulations that you must waive in order to schedule your facility during a pandemic? (e.g. residential use policies, maximum occupancy, public restroom requirements)
4. Do policies in this area require the approval of your city council/school board/administrative authority?
5. Has your legal council been briefed on this process? Signed off on it?
6. Do you have a process to trigger a step back in phase at the local level?
7. Has the sport or activity filed a COVID-19 operational plan with the state? (MASC will provide a list of sports organizations that have completed a COVID-19 action plan at the state level)
8. Is the local user contacting you to complete the facility use components of the sports operational plan?
9. Does the local user have a COVID-19 operational plan that follows established guidelines?
10. If the local user is a member of an association or club, does the parent organization have a COVID-19 operational plan?
11. Have you clearly informed the user who to contact in the event a member of their organization comes down with the virus?
12. Is there a facility quarantine plan in the event a user becomes infected?
13. Does the user’s COVID-19 operational plan fit the physical characteristics of your facility?
14. Has the user provided proof of insurance with your facility as an additional named insured?
15. Does the insurance policy cover issues arising from COVID-19?
16. Do ALL participants have a liability waiver on file with you? Is there a COVID-19 declaration on the waiver?
17. Are “Clean Zones” established in the plan and designated at the facility to be used?
   - Is the Clean Zone large enough for social distancing?
   - Is the USER fully aware of their duty to maintain the Clean Zone before/during/after use?
   - Does the user have a plan to limit access to the Clean Zone to just participants?
   - Does the user have the required cleaning supplies?
   - Is your contract with the user clear on who cleans common elements like restrooms, if restrooms are available?
   - Does the user have a plan for cleaning competition elements e.g. bats, balls, helmets?
   - Are locker rooms available?
   - Are there restrooms exclusive to clean zone
18. If spectators are allowed, what plan does the user have for control of them?
19. Are there markings at the facility that could be used to guide social distancing?
20. Will you require additional symptom monitoring?
21. Is there a written policy outlining the penalty for non-compliance?
22. Has the user requested modifications to the sports space to reduce transmission points?