



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS
AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS
SEPTEMBER 26-27, 2022, MEETING**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Approval of meeting report.** CSMAS approved its June 21-22, 2022, meeting report.
2. **Governance updates.** CSMAS received a governance update from each of the divisions.
3. **Litigation updates.** CSMAS received a briefing from the Office of Legal Affairs of ongoing and relevant litigation.
4. **Policies and procedures for standardization of evidence- and consensus-based guidance.** CSMAS approved, in principle, the procedural and operating considerations for the identification of consensus guidance to support student-athlete mental and physical health, safety and performance and recommended socializing the potential policies and procedures with the NCAA membership. CSMAS will review the membership's feedback at its December meeting, where it will consider recommending to the NCAA Board of Governors that the newly identified policies and procedures replace the existing Uniform Standards of Care process.
5. **Mental health.**
 - a. Student-Athlete Advisory Committees' statement. CSMAS discussed a statement drafted by the divisional Student-Athlete Advisory Committees and referred continued review and response (including suggested edits and consideration of formal support) to its Administrative Subcommittee. CSMAS also directed AdCom to create a complementary statement to accompany its response.
 - b. Mental Health Advisory Group. CSMAS received an update on the progress of the Mental Health Advisory Group, which was commissioned by CSMAS following the 2020 Diverse Student-Athlete Mental Health and Well-Being Summit. The MHAG was charged with reviewing and updating mental health resources, including the Mental Health Best Practices document. The MHAG's initial meeting is scheduled for October 6.
 - c. Education-impacting disability. CSMAS received a presentation on education-impacting disabilities, including information on mental health and disability, long COVID and disability, medical and social justice models of disability and perspectives about disability.
6. **Drug-Free Sport International report.** CSMAS received an update from Drug-Free Sport International on the NCAA year-round, summer and championship drug testing programs for the 2021-22 academic year. The program summary included several aspects such as the rate of NCAA

banned substances detected, the number of appeals conducted, and the increasing number of administrative reviews conducted for student-athlete exit tests. The update also highlighted data resulting from recent changes to the drug testing program which aligned the THC threshold and T/E ratio with World Anti-Doping Agency standards.

7. Subcommittee reports.

a. Drug-Testing Subcommittee.

- (1) Review of subcommittee activity. CSMAS received the reports of its Drug-Testing Subcommittee since June 2022.
- (2) Drug-testing program review and United States Anti-Doping Agency partnership. CSMAS discussed interest from the United States Anti-Doping Agency to enhance collaboration. CSMAS previously reviewed opportunities to address external questions and to further align with USADA in 2020. Since that review, USADA has provided additional information about potential collaboration. As such, CSMAS agreed to renew its consideration of potential adjustments to the NCAA Drug-Testing Program, as advocated by USADA, and referred the review to its Drug-Testing Subcommittee.

b. Prevention and Performance Subcommittee.

- Review of subcommittee activity. CSMAS received the reports of its Prevention and Performance Subcommittee since June 2022.

c. Research Subcommittee.

- (1) Review of subcommittee activity. CSMAS received the reports of its Research Subcommittee since June 2022.
- (2) Institutional Performance Program 2022-23 Health and Safety Survey. CSMAS approved changes to the 2022-23 version of the Institutional Performance Program Health and Safety Survey. The changes enhance clarity and readability but are not substantive in nature. Schools in Divisions I and II are legislatively required to complete the survey on an annual basis. The data from the survey are housed in the NCAA Institutional Performance Program for the purpose of providing member schools with information that can facilitate institutional assessment of various aspects of health care delivery and administration. The 2022-23 survey will be distributed to all NCAA Divisions I and II Athletics Health

Care Administrators Tuesday, November 15, 2022, and will close Friday, January 20, 2023.

- (3) Injury Surveillance Program codebook updates. CSMAS approved updates to the 2023-24 NCAA Injury Surveillance Program codebook. The codebook identifies variables to be submitted to the ISP from participating schools' electronic medical records systems.

d. Administrative Subcommittee.

- (1) Review of subcommittee activity. CSMAS received the reports of its Administrative Subcommittee meetings since June 2022.
- (2) 2022-23 legislative proposals.
 - (a) Division II Legislative Proposals. CSMAS took positions, as recommended by AdCom, on select 2022-23 Division II legislative proposals. (See Attachment A)
 - (b) Division III Legislative Proposals. CSMAS provided feedback, as recommended by AdCom, on select 2022-23 Division III legislative proposals. (See Attachment B)
- (3) Strategic priorities for student-athlete health and safety. CSMAS approved, in principle, revisions to the Association's strategic health, safety and performance priorities, including the addition of an introductory statement (See Attachment C). CSMAS also approved a plan to socialize the possible revisions with membership feedback to be considered at its December meeting. After considering membership feedback, CSAMS may recommend the Board of Governors approve the updated priorities.

8. Summit on Cannabis in Collegiate Athletics. CSMAS reviewed the prospectus for the Summit on Cannabis in Collegiate Athletics, which is scheduled to occur in December 2022. The summit was commissioned by CSMAS in September 2021 following review of the Association's drug-testing policy on cannabinoids.

9. Subcommittee policy adjustments. CSMAS approved updates to its subcommittee charters to improve the consistency and efficiency of subcommittee work. Approved updates include changes to subcommittee sizes, composition requirements, term limits and the appointment process.

10. **Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Policy.** CSMAS preliminarily supported considering ways to simplify the NCAA transgender student-athlete participation policy. For example, CSMAS discussed a concept that would create two categories of sport: primarily skill-based sports (e.g., bowling) and primarily speed, strength, endurance and contact sports that would have separate requirements for trans women competing on women's teams. CSMAS requested additional discussion and feedback on the concept from both the membership and expert groups. It will continue to discuss the topic at future meetings.
11. **Concussion.**
 - a. Concussion Safety Advisory Group. CSMAS received an update that the Concussion Safety Advisory Group will meet to discuss the findings of a recent publication on concussion and chronic traumatic encephalopathy.
 - b. National Academies Report. CSMAS was notified that the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine have held or will hold meetings from April 2022 through October 2023 to explore opportunities to address emerging issues related to short- and long-term strategic planning for advancing traumatic brain injury research and care.
12. **Pregnant and parenting resources.** CSMAS discussed publicly available [resources on pregnant and parenting student-athletes](#), and recommended the following:
 - a. Update the website to remove outdated or errant links and references.
 - b. Complete an inclusive language review of the remaining resources in collaboration with the NCAA Office of Inclusion and appropriate governance bodies.
 - c. Complete a legal assessment of the remaining resources that specifically addresses the impact of the *Dobbs v. Jackson*, U.S. Supreme Court decision.
 - d. Explore the creation of a sexual and reproductive health advisory group that could be charged with a review and updates to the pregnant and parenting student-athlete resources, as well as other topics related to gender identity and sexual and reproductive health.
13. **Injury Surveillance Program.** CSMAS received a report on data from the Injury Surveillance Program.

Staff Liaisons: *Leilani Hubbard, NCAA Academic and Membership Affairs*
 John Parsons, NCAA Sport Science Institute
 Anne Rohlman, NCAA Sport Science Institute

Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports September 26-27, 2022, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Matt Barany, University of Richmond	
Pam Hinton-Bruzina, University of Missouri, Columbia	
N. Jeremi Duru, American University	
Jack Entiken, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania	
Luis Feigenbaum, University of Miami (Florida)	
Richard Hendricks, Shorter University	
Alan Hirahara, California State University, Sacramento	
James Houle, The Ohio State University (vice-chair)	
Yolanda Malone-Gilbert, Genesis Behavioral Health and Collaborative SVC, Inc.	
Nadine Mastroleo, Binghamton University	
Nicole Pieart, Lake Forest College (chair)	
Julie Rochester, Northern Michigan University	
Cody Shimp, St. Bonaventure University	
Kim Terrell, University of Oregon	
Michelle Walsh, Vassar College	
Rich Wanninger, Patriot League	
Auburn Weisensale, University of Pittsburgh	
Douglas Zipp, Ohio Wesleyan University	
Absentees:	
Pat Chun, Washington State University	
Bob Colgate, National Federation High School Associations	
Leshlie Ramirez, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez	
Talia Williams, Carleton University	
Guests in Attendance:	
Adrian Boltz, Datalys	
Avinash Chandran, Datalys	
Maggie Langheim, Mars Hill University	
Neal Rao, Datalys	
Marci Ridpath, NCAA disability contractor	
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:	
Leilani Hubbard, John Parsons and Anne Rohlman	

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Laura Arnett, Amanda Conklin, Amanda Dickey, LaGwyn Durden, Jennifer Fraser, Brian Hainline, Maritza Jones, Jean Merrill, Mallory Mickus, Greg Pottorff, Bill Regan, Crystal Rogers, Jared Tidemann, Carey Wheelhouse and Justin Whitaker.