

## Youth Concussion Advisory Group

### AGENDA

Monday, September 8, 2014

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Introduction of Advisory Group members

Purpose of the Advisory Group

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Pursuant to PA 14-66: An Act Concerning Youth Athletics and Concussions, the Advisory Group is established to comply with the requirements, stated below, of legislation enacted for the overall purpose of reducing the prevalence of youth concussion injury.

All aspects of PA 14-66 will be addressed by the advisory group, beginning with the review of existing documents.

Two scheduled meetings:

Monday, September 8, 10:00 AM – 12:00 noon

Monday, September 22, 10:00 AM – 12:00 noon

Additional meetings will be scheduled as needed.

Meetings will be convened at the CSDE office building at 25 Industrial Park Road, Middletown, CT 06457

Review of existing documents and requirements

CSDE – Nancy Pugliese, Chief, Bureau of Educator Standards and Certification

CIAC – Dr. Karissa Niehoff, Executive Director, CAS CIAC

Discussion

Determination of next steps

### **PA 14-66: An Act Concerning Youth Athletics and Concussions**

Requires SDE to consult with DPH, the governing authority for intramural and interscholastic athletics, an appropriate organization representing licensed athletic trainers, and an organization representing county medical associations to:

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- Develop or approve a training course regarding concussions. By **October 1, 2014**, and annually thereafter, the group must also develop or approve annual review materials.
- Develop a refresher course regarding concussions, including current best practices, and, for football coaches, current best practices around the frequency of games and full contact practices and scrimmages.
- By **January 1, 2015**, develop a concussion education plan to be used by local and regional boards of education. Boards of education will be responsible for implementing such plan using written materials, online training or videos, or in person training.
- Develop a signed informed consent, which must include a summary of the concussion education plan, and a summary of the local board's policies regarding concussions. For the school year beginning **July 1, 2105**, local boards of education must prohibit a student athlete from participating in intramural or interscholastic athletic activities unless the student athlete and a parent or guardian returns such form.