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Upon advice from Medical Advisory Team, Governor signs Emergency Directive allowing full- & close-contact sports to resume with Safety & Preparedness Plan

Carson City, NV — In response to a request by Governor Steve Sisolak to conduct a reevaluation of full- and close-contact sports, the Governor's Medical Advisory Team (MAT) submitted new recommendations supporting allowing these sports to resume with certain testing and mitigation measures in place for their organized leagues, clubs and associations.

Full-contact and close-contact sports, as defined by Section 2 of Directive 039 (full-contact sports), may resume for practice and competitions, subject to the requirements set forth in Directive 034, including the requirement to adopt a Preparedness and Safety Plan as set forth in Section 11 for all organized leagues and associations prior to beginning competitions, games, matches, or league play.

In addition, full-contact sports organizations, clubs, associations, leagues must also implement a COVID-19 testing and mitigation plan prior to resuming competitions, games, matches, or league play. Organizers of full-contact sports are encouraged to work with their local health authority on developing a testing and mitigation plan, and they should review the Nevada Guidance for Adult & Youth Sports, dated March 30, 2021.

Individuals participating in full-contact sports that are not organized through a recreational league, club, or other association (ex: pick-up

basketball games) are not required to submit a Preparedness and Safety Plan and are not required to be tested for COVID-19 prior to participating.

The new directive becomes effective on March 30. A copy of Directive 042 and the latest guidance are attached to this email and can be found on NVHealthResponse.nv.gov.

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