



## Communications

### Georgia Soccer Concussion Awareness Policy

The Georgia Soccer Board of Directors recently passed a new Concussion Policy for all Georgia Soccer Affiliate members. Starting with the upcoming Fall season, Georgia Soccer affiliated member clubs will be required to adhere to Georgia Soccer's new Concussion Awareness policy. The policy continues to emphasize that all youth soccer players should have the safest environment in which to play and adheres to U.S. Soccer and U.S. Youth Soccer's recommendations and guidelines for player safety.

[CLICK HERE for the full Concussion Awareness Policy](#)

### CDC Heads Up Certification

The first part of the new Concussion Awareness program is centered around education. According to the new policy, all coaches in Georgia will be required to complete the online CDC Heads Up concussion awareness certification to assist coaches in recognizing potential concussions in their players at practice and in games. Parents are encouraged to complete this certification as well. It is FREE, online, and take approximately 20 minutes to complete.



[CLICK HERE for the CDC Heads Up Certification](#)

### Return to Play Protocol

The second part of the Concussion Awareness program is proper evaluation and treatment of players who may have suffered a concussion. Players who have been judged to have a potential concussion will need to be evaluated by a medical professional before they will be allowed to return to play.

Thank you for partnering with Georgia Soccer to protect the safety of our children.

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