

## Athletic Training Program Medical Director

The Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE), the governing body and oversite organization for athletic training education, requires all accredited Athletic Training Programs have a Medical Director that meets the following description and qualifications according to the Personnel Section of the July, 1, 2012 Standards for the Accreditation of Professional Athletic Training Programs:

Item 35 – Medical Director: The Medical Director must be an MD/DO who is licensed to practice in

the state sponsoring the program.

Item 36 – Medical Director: The Medical Director must in coordination with the Program Director,

serve as a resource and medical content expert for the program.

## Concord University Athletic Training Program Medical Director

The Athletic Training Program Medical Director (Medical Director) will provide oversite to the Athletic Training Program (ATP) at Concord University (CU). The Medical Director should be available to the Athletic Training Program Director (PD) and Clinical Education Coordinator (CEC) for consultation as a medical content expert for material and information within in the ATP curriculum. The Medical Director may assist and advise the PD and CEC as needed or desired in ensuring the ATP is in full compliance with the CAATE.

## **Medical Director Desired Attributes**

- The Medical Director should have a desire to educate athletic training students (ATS), faculty, and staff.
- The Medical Director should have an understanding and appreciation for the education and scope of practice for athletic trainers both nationally and within the state of West Virginia.
- The Medical Director may choose to provide additional assistance to the Athletic Training staff. The Medical Director may also be, or should at least work collaboratively with, the CU Athletics Program Lead Team Physician (Team Physician) or providers from CU Student Health Services and may in some cases serve a supporting role for those positions. This would be arranged by the Head Athletic Trainer and Athletic Director under separate terms from this agreement, but should also not interfere with the responsibilities associated with the role of Medical Director.

## **Medical Director Responsibilities**

- The Medical Director must be an MD/DO who is licensed to practice in the state of West Virginia (CAATE Standard 35 above).
- The Medical Director must in coordination with the PD and CEC, serve as a consistent resource and medical content expert for the program (CAATE Standard 36 above). However, final decisions will rest with the PD and his/her interpretation of programmatic or curricular needs and the CAATE's Standards.

- The Medical Director must provide the PD with a digital and paper curriculum vitae/resume, documenting both academic and clinical credentials. This information may be shared with the CU administration or the CAATE for proof of qualification or for promotion on the ATP's website to the public at large.
- The Medical Director will assist in planning, preparing, and/or teaching AT 450: General Medical Concerns in Athletic Training as desired and available. If this includes lead instruction all grading responsibilities in accordance with CU policy will apply. Separate adjunct compensation may be sought for lead instruction of this course. Serving as an occasional guest lecturer for this course may replace the responsibility of lead instruction, but will not have any compensation.
- The Medical Director will assist in planning, preparing, and/or teaching AT 444: Therapeutic Interventions as desired and available. If this includes lead instruction all grading responsibilities in accordance with CU policy will apply. Separate adjunct compensation may be sought for lead instruction of this course. Serving as an occasional guest lecturer for this course may replace the responsibility of lead instruction, but will not have any compensation.
- The Medical Director should permit and integrate Athletic Training Student (ATS) educational observations, for the appropriate level of students, on a predetermined schedule and rotation as established by the Medical Director, PD, and CEC.
- The Medical Director may, as desired, provide oversight and/or assistance in Pre-Participation Physicals for all Athletic Teams in coordination with the Team Physician and Athletic Training Staff.
- The Medical Director will understand, respect, and enforce all relevant concerns related to FERPA the confidentiality of student information and performance.
- The Medical Director will adhere to all HIPAA regulations regarding patient privacy when educating ATS.
- The Medical Director must understand that, while a very important resource for Concord University and the ATP, he/she should not make statements, decisions, etc. on behalf of CU or the ATP without first receiving approval from the appropriate personnel. It should be noted, this appointment does not come with any of the rights, responsibilities, or privileges noted in the Concord University Faculty Handbook. The title of Clinical Professor of Athletic Training is intended solely as an honorary designation in recognition of the Medical Director's service to the ATP.
- The Medical Director should assist CU, the PD, and CEC in promoting the ATP to the public and in recruiting new students when appropriate.
- The Medical Director should assist in efforts to advocate for legislation and legal issues regarding the regulation, protect, and creation of athletic training jobs in West Virginia when appropriate.
- The Medical Director should assist the CEC in finding athletic training and inter-professional clinical sites and experiences for ATS.
- The Medical Director should assist the ATP faculty in keeping up to date on new and relevant trends regarding athletic training, health care, and injury prevention.

The Medical Director should assist the ATP faculty by consistently and continuously working to improve the educational content within the curriculum to meet current and future CAATE standard requirements and produce quality athletic trainers.

It is the recommendation of the Athletic Training Program (ATP) faculty that Dr. James M. Kyle (MD) be appointed as the Medical Director of the ATP and given the honorary title of Clinical Professor of Athletic Training until further notice. Attached is a copy of Dr. Kyle's curriculum vitae, documenting both academic and clinical credentials and qualifications. With this appointment Dr. Kyle has agreed to volunteer his time and serve as the Medical Director for the ATP with no monetary compensation unless agreed upon in a separate contract with Concord University and related to responsibilities other than those listed in this document.

It should be noted that this appointment does not come with any of the rights, responsibilities, or privileges noted in the Concord University Faculty Handbook. The title of Clinical Professor of Athletic Training is intended solely as an honorary designation in recognition of Dr. Kyle's service to CU and the ATP.

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Honorary Clinical Professor of Athletic Training