



YOUTH SPORT CONCUSSION LAWS

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Summary Matrix of State Laws Addressing Concussions in Youth Sports

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AL	Ala. Code 1975 §22-11E-2	June 2011/ June 2011	2012: Requires local school systems to develop concussion guidelines (original law required only sports governing bodies to do so). Also added same-day return prohibition to existing RTP provision.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed physician	Yes
AK	AS §§ 14.30.142 and 14.30.143	May 2011/ Aug 2011	2012: Added athletic trainers; clarified that RTP included return to practice.		✓	✓	✓	✓	An athletic trainer or other qualified person who has received training, as verified in writing or electronically by the qualified person, in the evaluation and management of concussions. Law defines	No

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									"qualified person" as a licensed health care provider or a person acting at the direction of and under supervision of a licensed physician.	
AZ	A.R.S. § 15-341 (24)(b)	April 2011/ April 2011	2012: Non-substantive.		✓	✓	✓	✓	Health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussions and head injuries. Law defines "health care provider" as a licensed physician, athletic trainer, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant.	Yes, if organization uses school property.
AR	A.C.A. §§ 6-18-708 and 6-18-710	April 2011/ July 2011	2013: Added concussion education, guideline development, and RTP requirements and extended applicability to recreational youth sports.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed healthcare provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussions.	Yes
	Ark. Admin. Code 005.22.7-7.0	Aug 2014/ Sept 2014	2014: Provides that athletic coaches obtain training in recognition and management of specified events or conditions, including concussion.	✓						
CA	Cal. Educ. Code §49475 and §35179.5	Oct 2011/ Jan 2012	2013: Added charter and private schools. 2014: Limited full-contact practices to twice per week and stipulated that full-contact portion of a practice cannot exceed 90 minutes per day (high school and middle school football).		✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider trained in the management of concussions and acting within the scope of practice.	No

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			<p>Required that, if licensed health care provider determines an athlete sustained concussion or head injury, athlete must complete a graduated RTP protocol of no less than 7 days in duration under the supervision of a licensed health care provider.</p> <p>Urges California Interscholastic Federation to adopt rules to implement both provisions.</p>							
CO	C.R.S.A. § 25-43-101 to 25-43-103	March 2011/ Jan 2012	None.	✓			✓	✓	Health care provider, which law defines as a doctor of medicine, doctor of osteopathic medicine, licensed nurse practitioner, licensed physician assistant or licensed doctor of psychology with training in neurophysiology or concussion evaluation and management. (<i>After</i> RTP clearance, a registered athletic trainer with specific knowledge of the athlete's condition may manage athlete's graduated RTP.)	Yes
CT	C.G.S.A. § 10-149b and 10-149c	May 2010/ July 2010	<p>2014: Added concussion education plan for local and regional boards of education. Added education requirement for student athletes and parents/guardians, and informed consent form for parents/guardians.</p> <p>Added state commissioner of public health to parties developing concussion training</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care professional, which law defines as a licensed physician, physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse or athletic trainer trained in the evaluation and management of concussions.	No

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			<p>courses, review materials, informed consent form, and concussion education plan.</p> <p>Added requirements for concussion refresher course: best practices in the field of concussion research and treatment, and for football coaches, current best practices on coaching (e.g., frequency of games and full contact practices and scrimmages) as identified by governing authority for intramural and interscholastic athletics.</p> <p>Added requirement that parent/guardian be notified within 24-hours of student athlete's removal from activity for suspected concussion.</p> <p>Added new section, effective 7/1/2014, requiring annually: (1) school districts to collect and report concussion incidence data to the state board of education, (2) state board of education to report concussion data to state department of public health, and (3) state commissioner of public health to report on concussion findings to certain joint standing committees of the state general assembly pursuant to C.G.S.A. § 11-4a.</p> <p>Established a task force to study concussion in youth athletics and make recommendations for possible legislative initiatives.</p>							

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DE	14 Del.C. § 303 <i>Middle school:</i> 14 Del. Admin. Code 1008 <i>High school:</i> 14 Del. Admin. Code 1009	July 2011/ July 2011	2016: Certified and emergency coaches must complete approved concussion course.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Evaluation can be performed by a “qualified healthcare professional,” defined as a licensed MD or DO, or a school nurse, nurse practitioner, physician assistant or athletic trainer with collaboration and/or supervision by a MD or DO. Written clearance can be given by a qualified physician (MD or DO) only.	No
DC	D.C. Code § 7-2871.01 to 7-2871.05	July 2011/ Oct 2011	2013: Non-substantive; directed Department of Health to issue a competitive grant for creation of comprehensive concussion care protocol for children.		✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed or certified health-care provider.	Yes
FL	<i>Athletic coaches for independent sanctioning authorities:</i> FL ST § 943.0438 <i>Athletics in public schools K-12:</i> FL ST § 1006.20	April 2012/ July 2012	2013: Non-substantive. 2014: Athletic coach definition updated to include coach, assistant coach, or referee.		✓	✓	✓	✓	Appropriate health care practitioner trained in the diagnosis, evaluation, and management of concussions as defined by the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee of the Florida High School Athletic Association	Yes

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GA	Ga. Code Ann., § 20-2-324.1	April 2013/ Jan 2014	None.		² See note		✓	✓	Health care provider, which is defined as a licensed physician or another licensed individual under the supervision of a licensed physician, such as a nurse practitioner, physician assistant, or certified athletic trainer who has received training in concussion evaluation and management.”	Yes, except those offered through a church or synagogue.
HI	2012 Hawai‘i Session Laws Act 197 (H.B. 2273)	July 2012/ July 2012	None.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider, which law defines as an advanced practice registered nurse, certified or registered athletic trainer, neuropsychologist, physician assistant, physician, or osteopathic physician trained in the management of sports concussions.	No
ID	I.C. § 33-1625	April 2012/ July 2012	None.		² See note	² See note	✓	✓	Qualified health care professional who is trained in the evaluation and management of concussions, which includes any of the following: physician or physician assistant, advanced practice nurse, licensed health care professional trained in the evaluation and management of concussions who is supervised by a licensed directing physician	No, encouraged. If they comply, they are afforded same liability protections.

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IL	70 ILCS 1205/8-24; 105 ILCS 5/22-80; and 105 ILCS 25/1.15	July 2011/ July 2011	<p>2012: Renumbered; non-substantive.</p> <p>2014: Added section requiring athletic association or interscholastic athletics entity to develop online certification for high school coaching personnel and athletic directors in concussion awareness and reduction of repetitive sub-concussive hits and concussions. Certification course is mandatory for all high school coaching personnel and athletic directors and must be taken every 2 years. Content must be updated annually.</p> <p>Added requirement that high school coaches and athletic directors annually require student athletes to watch video on risk of concussion and sub-concussive hits to the head. Requires high school coaches and athletic directors to encourage coaches of youth sports organizations to consider certification.</p> <p>2015: 105 ILCS 5/10-20.54 and 105 ILCS 5/34-18.46 repealed and renumbered to 105 ILCS 5/22-80, effective November 2015. Extends applicability to park districts. Establishes medical clearance requirements, return to play and return to learn protocols, parent/student education requirements, and concussion oversight teams, which become effective for the 2016-2017 school year.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A treating physician chosen by the student or student's parent or guardian or an athletic trainer working under the supervision of a physician	Yes, if park district is directly responsible for organizing and providing a sponsored youth sports activity as a youth sports league by registering players and selecting coaches as defined in the law.

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IN	IC 20-34-7-1 through 6, IC 20-34-7-1.5, and IC 20-34-7-6	May 2011/ July 2011	2014: Added 24-hour waiting period for athlete with suspected concussion to return to activity. Added non-school “organizing entities” that use government property. Required football coaches and assistant football coaches to complete a course (with specified elements) on player safety and concussions at least once every 2 years. Provided civil immunity for football coaches in certain circumstances.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussions and head injuries	Yes, for organizing entities that use property owned, leased, or maintained by the state or other political subdivision.
IA	I.C.A. § 280.13C	April 2011/ April 2011	2012: Added definition of <i>extracurricular interscholastic activity</i> .		✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussions and other brain injuries. Law defines “licensed health care provider” as a physician, physician assistant, chiropractor, advanced registered nurse practitioner, nurse, physical therapist or licensed athletic trainer.	No
KS	K.S.A. 72-135	May 2011/ July 2011	None.		✓	✓	✓	✓	Health care provider, which the law defines as a person licensed by the state board of healing arts to practice medicine and surgery	No
KY	KRS 160.445	March 2009/ March 2009	2012: Added student athlete and parent education with acknowledgment; immediate removal with RTP restriction and prohibition	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Initial evaluation can be done by physician or a licensed health care provider whose scope of practice and training includes the evaluation and management	No

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			on same-day return; venue-specific emergency action plans. 2013: Removed “certified” requirement for athletic trainers to teach concussion course						of concussions and other brain injuries. Physician must provide written RTP clearance.	
	702 KAR 7:065	Aug 2014	2014: Requires middle school athletes to adhere to middle school sports medicine policies, including concussion and other head injury policies.							
LA	LSA-R.S. 40:1089.1 to 1089.5	June 2011/ June 2011	2015: Non-substantive; Renumbered.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Health care provider, which the law defines as a licensed physician, licensed nurse practitioner, licensed physician assistant or licensed psychologist, who has received training in neuropsychology or concussion evaluation and management	Yes
ME	Public Laws of 2011 Chapter 688 Codified provisions: 20-A MRSA §1001, sub-§19 and §254, sub-§17	May 2011/ Local policies: Jan 2013 All other provisions: May 2012	None.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider trained in concussion management	No

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MD	MD Code, Education, § 7-433; MD Code, Health-General, § 14-501; and COMAR 13A.06.08.01 et seq.	April 2011/ July 2011	2011: Non-substantive; Renumbered and corrected cross-reference.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussions	Yes
MA	M.G.L.A. 111 § 222	July 2010/ July 2010	None.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Physician, neuropathologist, certified athletic trainer or other trained/licensed health professional allowed by DPH	No
	105 CMR 201.001 et seq.	July 2010/ Jan 2011	None.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed physician, licensed certified athletic trainer in consultation with a licensed physician, licensed nurse practitioner in consultation with a licensed physician or licensed neuropsychologist in coordination with the physician managing the student's recovery	No
MI	M.C.L.A. 333.9155 and 333.9156	Oct 2012/ Mar 2013	None.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Appropriate health professional, which is defined as a health professional who is licensed or otherwise authorized to engage in a health profession and whose scope of practice within that health profession includes	Yes

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									the recognition, treatment, and management of concussions	
MN	M.S.A. §§ 121A.37; 121A.38; 124E.03; and 128C.02 Subd. 3b	July 2011/ July 2011	None.	✓	² See note	² See note	✓	✓	Provider trained and experienced in evaluating and managing concussions. Law defines “provider” as a health care provider who is: (1) registered, licensed, certified or otherwise statutorily authorized by the state to provide medical treatment; (2) trained and experienced in evaluating and managing pediatric concussions; and (3) practicing within the person's medical training and scope of practice.	Yes
MS	Miss. Code Ann. §37-24-1 et seq.	Jan 2014/ July 2014	None.		✓		✓	✓	“Health care provider,” which is defined as a licensed physician or a licensed nurse practitioner, licensed physician assistant or licensed health care professional working within the person's scope of practice and under the direct supervision or	No

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									written consultation of a physician. All health care providers referred to in this act also must be trained in the evaluation and management of concussions.	
MO	V.A.M.S. 167.765 and 167.775	July 2011/ Aug 2011	None.		✓	² See note	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussions	No
MT	MCA 20-7-1301 to 20-7-1304	April 2013/ April 2013	None.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	"Licensed health care professional," which is defined as a registered, licensed, certified, or otherwise statutorily recognized health care professional whose training includes the evaluation and management of concussions.	No
NE	Neb.Rev.St. §§ 71-9101 through 71-9106	April 2011/ July 2012	2014: Required establishment of a return-to-learn protocol for students that have sustained concussion, including informal or formal accommodations, curriculum modifications, and medical monitoring.	¹ See note	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care professional, which is defined as a physician or licensed practitioner under the direct supervision of a physician, a certified athletic trainer, a neuropsychologist or some other qualified individual who (a) is registered, licensed, certified or otherwise statutorily recognized by the state to provide health care services and (b) is trained in the evaluation and management of traumatic	Yes

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									brain injuries among a pediatric population	
NV	N.R.S. 386.435, 392.452, 455A.200 and NAC 386.832	May 2011/ July 2011	None.	³ See note	✓	✓	✓	✓	Provider of health care, which is defined as a licensed physician, a licensed physical therapist or a licensed athletic trainer	Yes
NH	N.H. Rev. Stat. §200:49 through 200:52	Aug 2012/ Aug 2012	<p>2013: Expanded coverage from grades 9-12 to “intramural sports programs conducted outside the regular teaching day for students in grades 4-12 or competitive athletic programs between schools for students in grades 4-12.”</p> <p>2014: Changed language <i>requiring</i>, rather than encouraging, concussion education information to be distributed to all student athletes. Added definition of <i>head injury</i>.</p>		² See note	² See note	✓	✓	Health care provider, which law defines as a person who is licensed, certified, or otherwise statutorily authorized by the state to provide medical treatment and is trained in the evaluation and management of concussions	No
NJ	N.J.S.A. 18A:40-41.1 through 41.7 and N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2	Dec 2010/ Dec 2010	<p>2011: Amended to include cheerleading.</p> <p>2013: New sports safety law required physical examination and concussion history, among other things.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Physician or other licensed healthcare provider trained in concussion management	No

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NM	N.M.S.A. 1978, § 22-13-31	March 2010/ May 2010	None.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care professional, which law defines as a practicing and licensed: physician or physician assistant, osteopathic physician, certified nurse practitioner, osteopathic physician assistant, psychologist or athletic trainer	No
NY	NY EDUC § 305 (42); NY PUB HEALTH § 206 (28)	March 2011/ Sept 2011	None.	✓	² See note	² See note	✓	✓	Licensed physician	No
NC	N.C.G.S.A. § 115C-12(23)	June 2011/ Oct 2011	None.	¹ See note	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed physician with training in concussion management, licensed neuropsychologist with training in concussion management and working in consultation with a licensed physician, licensed athletic trainer or physician assistant or nurse practitioner, consistent with limitations imposed elsewhere in the law	No
ND	NDCC 15.1-18.2-04	April 2011/ Aug 2011	2013: Clarified duties for student removal after suspected concussion; changed “diagnoses and treatment of concussion” to “evaluation and management of concussion”; clarified medical clearance requirements; added officials to those not	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider who is acting within the provider’s scope of practice and trained in the evaluation and management of concussion, as determined by the provider’s licensing board	No

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			made liable by the law; and other non-substantive changes.							
OH	R.C. § 3313.539, R.C. § 3319.303, R.C. § 3707.511, R.C. § 3707.521, and R.C. Title 47 (health care licensing).	Dec 2012/ March 2013	<p>2013: Non-substantive amendment to clarify language.</p> <p>2014: Added to the list of providers that may make RTP decisions “a licensed health care professional who meets the minimum requirements” of the state’s licensing agency.</p> <p>Changed language to clarify that the provider granting the RTP clearance must be the professional who “assessed the student’s condition.”</p> <p>Beginning in 2015, all physicians and health care professionals conducting assessments and RTP clearances must meet minimum educational requirements set by the state’s licensing agency.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	“Physician,” which is defined as a person authorized under state law to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery, or a licensed health care professional who meets the minimum requirements of the state’s licensing agency or is authorized by the school district or nonpublic school governing body to assess students under this section.	Yes
OK	70 Okl.St.Ann § 24-155	May 2010/ July 2010	None.		✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussion	No

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OR	O.R.S. § 336.485 and § 417.875	June 2009/ July 2009 June 2013/ January 2014 June 2015/ June 2015	<p>2013 (effective 1/1/14): Expanded coverage beyond high school to all youth sports coaches (including rec sports); added referees as required trainees; added athlete and parental education and acknowledgment of receipt.</p> <p>2015: Amended §336.485 and 417.875 to add definition of health care professional; added language to permit coaches to allow an athlete to return to an athletic event if an athletic trainer registered by the board of athletic trainers determines the athlete has not suffered a concussion.</p> <p>Amended §417.875 to add definition of health care professional; added language to permit coaches to allow a member to return to an athletic event if an athletic trainer registered by the board of athletic trainers determines the athlete has not suffered a concussion; deleted language forbidding referees from allowing members of non-school teams from playing after suspected concussion.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Health care professional, defined as a medical doctor, osteopathic physician, psychologist, physician assistant or nurse practitioner licensed or certified under the laws of this state.	Yes
	OAR 581-022-0421	June 2010/ June 2010	None.	✓			✓	✓	Health care professional, which is defined as a medical doctor, osteopathic physician, psychologist, physician assistant or nurse practitioner licensed or certified under the laws of this state.	No

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PA	24 P.S. §§ 5322 and 5323	Nov 2011/ July 2012	None.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Appropriate medical professional, which is defined as (1) a licensed physician who is trained in the evaluation and management of concussions or a licensed or certified health care professional trained in the evaluation and management of concussions and designated by such licensed physician; or (2) a licensed psychologist neuropsychologically trained in the evaluation and management of concussions or who has postdoctoral training in neuropsychology and specific training in the evaluation and management of concussions	No
RI	Gen.Laws 1956, § 16-91-1 <i>et seq.</i>	June 2010/ June 2010	<p>2011: Added required refresher course for coaches and volunteers (removed course requirement for trainers); added requirement that clearing physician be trained in the evaluation and management of concussion; clarified language of recommended baseline testing.</p> <p>2014: Added language that signs and symptoms of concussion may manifest after injury during school setting; added school nurses to those that must be advised of concussion signs and symptoms and treatment protocol.</p> <p>Requires school nurses to complete concussion training course and annual</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A licensed physician, who may consult with an athletic trainer, all of whom must be trained in the evaluation and management of concussions. Clearance must be made by licensed physician.	No, encouraged.

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			refresher course (original law encouraged school nurses to complete such training); encourages teachers and teachers' aides to complete training. Adds RI Interscholastic League as entity making concussion materials available (in addition to CDC).							
	R.I. Admin. Code 31-1-37:18.18	July 2014/ Aug 2014	None.	✓			✓	✓	Licensed physician	No
SC	Code 1976 § 59-63-75	June 2013/ June 2013	None.		✓	² See note	✓	✓	Physician, which is defined elsewhere in the law as a doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathic medicine licensed by the South Carolina Board of Medical Examiners; physician assistant pursuant to scope of practice guidelines, or nurse practitioner pursuant to a written protocol	No
SD	S.D. Codified Laws § 13-36-9 et seq.	March 2011/ March 2011	None.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussion	No

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TN	T. C. A. § 68-55-501 to 68-55-503	Apr 2013/ Jan 2014	None.	✓	✓	✓ (signature if 18 or older)	✓	✓	"Health care provider," which is defined as a licensed medical doctor (M.D.), osteopathic physician (D.O.), or a clinical neuropsychologist with concussion training	Yes
TX	V.T.C.A., Education Code § 33.202	June 2007/ June 2007	None.	✓		✓				No
	V.T.C.A., Education Code § 38.151 et seq.	June 2011/ June 2011	None.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A treating physician chosen by the student or parent/guardian	No
UT	Utah Code §§ 26-53-101 et seq.	March 2011/ May 2011	2013: Clarified definition of "sporting event"; makes provisions regarding school nurses (may assess concussion, but may not make RTP decision and must refer to provider trained in evaluation and management of concussion).		✓		✓	✓	Qualified health care provider, which law defines as one who is licensed to practice in the state and who may evaluate and manage concussions within the provider's scope of practice. Provider must certify, as part of written clearance for returning a youth athlete to play, that provider has completed a continuing education course in concussion evaluation and management within 3 years of the issued statement.	Yes

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VT	16 V.S.A. § 1431	May 2011/ May 2011	<p>2012: Clarified requirement for immediate removal from play and role of coach.</p> <p>2013: Added legislative intent language with epidemiology statistics; added to coaches' required training methods for reducing risk of concussion (primary prevention); added mandatory training for referees; requires schools to have concussion management action plan; home teams must provide health care provider during collision sports and notify opposing team's AT within 48 hours of suspected concussion; 24-hour parent notification; provisions for data collection and reporting.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider, including athletic trainers, trained in the evaluation and management of concussions and other head injuries	No
VA	VA Code Ann. § 22.1-271.5	April 2010/ July 2010	<p>2014: Added return-to-learn provisions. Required state board of education to add effects of concussion on student athletes' academic performance to guidelines and policies.</p> <p>Required non-interscholastic youth sports programs using public school property to either establish concussion policies and procedures (consistent with certain requirements) or follow the local school division's policies and procedures.</p>		✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider as determined by state board of education	Yes, if using public school property.
WA	West's RCWA 28A.600.190	May 2009/ July 2009	None.		✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussion	No

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WV	W. Va. Code, § 18-2-25a W. Va. Code St. R. § 127-2-14	May 2013/ Jul 2013	2014: Administrative rules adopted, as required by section (c) of the statute, which implement the provisions of the statute. Rules outline specific provisions for content and dissemination of educational information and annually signed acknowledgment forms and content of head coaches' training. Lists the licensed health care professionals, with appropriate training in the evaluation and management of concussion, who can make RTP evaluations: MD, DO, DC, ARNP, PA-C, and ATC/R. Stipulate that schools must report concussion incidents within 30 days. WV Board of Education must be notified if any of the forms mentioned in the rules are amended or altered.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Licensed health care professional, who is a health care provider whose licensed scope of practice includes the ability to diagnose and treat an injury or disease, trained in the evaluation and management of concussions	No
WI	W.S.A. 118.293 (Applicability: W.S.A. 119.04)	April 2012/ April 2012	2013: Provided that only one signed information sheet needed per year per organization/school.		✓	✓ (signature if 19 or older)	✓	✓	Health care provider who holds credentials that authorize that person to provide healthcare; is trained and has experience in the management and evaluation of pediatric concussions and head injuries; and is practicing within the scope of that credential	Yes
WY	W.S. 21-2-202(a)(xxxiii) and 21-3-110(a)(xxxii)	Feb 2011/ Feb 2011	None.	✓	² See note	² See note	✓			No

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¹ Applied only if the law *requires* coaches to undergo formal education or training in the recognition and management of concussion or head injury. For example, while North Carolina law (N.C.G.S.A. § 115C-12) requires coaches, among others, to receive an annual concussion and head injury information sheet and participate in rehearsing a venue-specific emergency action plan, it does not require coaches to complete concussion education or training. Nebraska law (2011 NE L.B. 260) requires that training be made available to coaches, but it is not required, and Florida law requires an independent sanctioning authority to develop guidelines to educate athletic coaches, among others, but periodic training is not addressed.

² Law requires educational information or materials to be developed, distributed, and/or made accessible, but does not require acknowledgment of receipt or informed consent prior to a youth athlete's participation in sports. For example, information must be distributed to parents, posted on a Web site, or included on a parental permission form *if* such form exists (e.g., New York).

³ Nevada's Regulations of the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association, NAC 386.832, requires *school* coaches to take the concussion training course offered by the National Federation of State High School Associations.