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To: CLA Member Associations
From: CLA Board of Directors
Date: Tuesday May 20, 2014
Re: CCES Policy 10.1.11.1

CLA Member Associations:

At the 2013 AGM, the Board of Directors passed a new policy with regards to anti-doping education. CLA Policy 10.1.11 states: all Senior A, Senior B, Junior A, Junior B players in Box lacrosse and all Senior and U19 Men's and Women's Field lacrosse players must complete the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES) on-line drug education course by August 1st of the playing year. The course need only be done once.

To fully support what this policy was put in place to do - to provide our Canadian lacrosse athletes with education and to equip them with information about anti-doping testing - the CLA Board of Directors, in consultation with the CLA Member Council, has passed the following policy:

Policy 10.1.11.1: athletes must complete the course by August 1st, if they do not they are not eligible to compete at a CLA National Championship. If after August 1st but prior to the first day of competition of the national championship, the athlete can pay the \$50 administration fee to take the course in order to be eligible to compete at a CLA National Championship.

CLA convenors at each applicable National Championship will be provided a list of players from each participating Member Association (MA) who have taken the course. Just as the convenors check off submission of signed liability forms and code of conduct forms, the CLA convenors will check off registered players who have completed the course. The CLA office will produce this report 24hrs prior to the coaches/managers meeting. If an athlete takes the course after the report is sent to the convenor but before the meeting, the player must print off the certificate they receive upon completion of the course and produce it with the team registration form in order to be eligible to play. The CLA convenor does not have the authority to grant any exceptions to this policy.

On August 2nd, the CLA office will run a full report for each MA to provide them with a list of all the athletes who have completed the course by the deadline. It will be the responsibility of the MA and the team to ensure each athlete on their registered national championship rosters have completed the course.

Prior to the August 1st deadline, the CLA office has the administrative capabilities to provide each MA with a list of athletes who have completed the course within their respective MAs. A Member Association can request such report at any time during the season.

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MAs will be invoiced for the total amount of players who completed the course after the August 1st deadline. A report will be run on November 1st that will account for all players who completed the course after the deadline.

The CLA reminds its members and athletes that the CLA endorses and [has adopted the CADP](#) which means lacrosse is part of a world-class anti-doping program that is designed to protect athletes' rights and ensure a level playing field. The CLA's anti-doping policy reflects and supports the CADP in that no athlete, official, coach or volunteer shall take prohibited substances, nor should any team official or parent recommend or condone the use of prohibited substances. The CLA expects all members of the lacrosse community to abide by the CADP to preserve the integrity of sport. Education opportunities, such as the CCES online education course, for Canadian lacrosse athletes are not only for the betterment of the sport but for their own athletic careers, as we all work cohesively to preserve the core values of our sport.

If you have any questions about the policy, the CCES online education course or the CADP do not hesitate to contact myself or the CLA office.

Yours in Lacrosse,

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CLA President *on behalf of the CLA Board of Directors*