Qualified Medical Professional (QMP)/ EMT Coverage and Protocol for

Football, Volleyball, Soccer, Basketball, Wrestling,
Baseball, Softball, and Spiritline for AIA Post Season Events

All ATC/QMP/EMT services at AIA Post Season Events will be paid or reimbursed by the AIA

(Note: “Region & Play-In” events are not AIA events- ATC is not paid by AIA)

**AIA STATE TOURNAMENTS at High Seed Sites:**

- Member schools must engage a qualified medical professional (QMP) or Emergency Medical Technician (EMT).
- One of the following three protocol options must be followed or payment may not be issued:

  1. If the ATC or other QMP personnel is employed by or contracted with the school district, the QMP can be assigned to fill the QMP position with the school district paying the QMP through their normal and customary method of pay. The school district may, after the event, **invoice** the AIA for reimbursement of QMP services provided, not to exceed the AIA contracted rate. This invoice information should be entered on TIER-Green Vendor Tab.

     OR

  2. Within 72 hours of event, contact AIA Front Office Assistant, Jess Garcia for assignment of an ATC/QMP to the AIA event from the AIA cadre of contracted QMPS. The contracted ATC or Vendor will invoice the AIA for services provided.

    - Jessica Garcia may be reached at 602-385-3826 Ext. 206 or at jegarcia@aiaonline.org
    - OR

  3. Utilize the host school ATC or other QMP personnel and compensate the QMP from school district funds without reimbursement from the AIA.

**ATC/QMP will be not paid directly from the AIA TIER submission only. ALL AT services must be invoiced by: 1) the contracted AT, 2) the school which paid the AT through usual and customary method, or 3) the third party vendor which provided the AT services.**

All Direct Pay – 1099 Contracted ATs must have a Certificate of Professional Liability Insurance on file with the AIA. Should any AT not be familiar with this protocol, they must contact the AIA prior to working any event.

- **IF THERE IS NO QMP OR EMT AT THE GAME, THE GAME WILL NOT BE PLAYED.**
  - QMP means:
    - ATC - Certified Athletic Trainer
    - MD - Medical Doctor
    - DO - Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine
    - NP - Licensed Nurse Practitioner
    - PA - Licensed Physician’s Assistant

  - *(QMP as defined by Arizona Revised Statute 15-341)*

  - If a school does not have a QMP or EMT and the opposing school does, in order for the game to proceed, the QMP or EMT agrees to cover the opposing school as well as their own school.

**NOTE: If ONLY an EMT is at the game, any player removed due to suspected head injury or concussion will not be allowed to enter or re-enter the game based on an EMT evaluation.**

- Return to play can only be based on evaluation by a QMP.

**AIA STATE TOURNAMENTS at Neutral Sites:**

- AIA staff will secure QMPS that will be contracted through the AIA or a third party vendor.
- If the QMP is a Certified Athletic Trainer, the ATC must provide the AIA with a certificate of professional liability insurance and be familiar with the AIA/ATC protocol.

If you have any questions, please contact the office via email at jegarcia@aiaonline.org.