

4th Annual Iowa Concussion Consortium Conference

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"Return to Play Protocols: Following a Student Athlete Following Concussion"

The IATS is composed of Certified Athletic Trainers across the state of lowa. Members of the IATS executive committee, along with state legislators, Department of Education, Department of Human Services, and other organizations have poured hours (years) of hard work to assist in developing the RTL and RTP protocols that have been put into law. This session will consist of: presentation of the law, scenarios that have occurred throughout this 2019-20 school year as it relates to RTL/RTP, presentations of RTL plans from different school districts across our state that are already in place, and questions Athletic Directors have. This presentation will provide an overview of the development of Iowa's concussion legislation, with an emphasis on the primary elements of current requirements for RTL and RTP protocols. Case examples will be provided to highlight key components of the law and challenges reported by schools across the state with time for Q/A and discussion of challenges in implementation of the law and risk-management considerations. The speaker is a licensed Athletic Trainer who was instrumental in efforts to develop current lowa legislation



- 1. Attendees will review lowa law as it relates to concussion and discuss scenarios related to implementing RTL and RTP
- 2. Attendees will discuss RTL plans that have been implemented from various lowa school districts
- 3. Attendees will be able to highlight key components of Iowa law and the challenges school districts experience related to implementation