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TO:MSHSAA-Member SchoolsFROM:Harvey Richards, Associate Executive DirectorDATE:August 2014SUBJECT:Electronic Filing Program

The MSHSAA staff and Sports Medicine Committee approved the use of the electronic filing program produced by PrivIT for use with the required pre-participation physical evaluations. This online program is an option that a school may choose to utilize. It is possible that a school could operate with both the electronic filing procedure and the paper filing procedure.

Electronic PPE

Web-based electronic versions of the PPE have been proposed as a means to improve not only the efficiency of screening athletes, but also as a method to provide a more extensive questionnaire that can be used to identify conditions that require further evaluations. Preparticipation physical evaluation screening performed in this manner will also allow for the development of databases that can be used to prospectively analyze the effectiveness of each component of the questionnaire. In addition, this technique has the potential to facilitate the standardization of the PPE. Establishing electronic databases holds much promise in not only improving and standardizing the PPE process, but also in optimizing the follow-up and ongoing medical care for athletes who have had a condition identified during the PPE.¹

On the following page is a letter from Phil Hein of PrivIT and an information sheet from PrivIT with contact information. Several MSHSAA schools have already chosen to use this program. When members of the MSHSAA staff viewed the presentation by PrivIT, we were impressed with this program. We determined that this type of filing operates within the scope of the state law and the MSHSAA by-law that covers this issue.

The personnel from PrivIT understands many of the issues that might confront a school that chooses to implement this program, and they are prepared to help you with your questions and concerns.

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¹ Bernhardt D and Roberts W, PPE Preparticipation Physical Evaluations, American Academy of Pediatrics, 2010(4), 144.

[&]quot;The MSHSAA promotes the value of participation, sportsmanship, team play and personal excellence to develop citizens who make positive contributions to their community and support the democratic principles of our state and nation."

To Whom It May Concern

On behalf of PRIVIT, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Phil Hein and I am the US Director of Sales for the company. At PRIVIT, we focus on helping schools collect, maintain and securely store protected health information (PHI) of their students.

PRIVIT was selected as the legal standard by the Missouri State High School Activities Association for their requirement to have a signed physical for each athlete on file. By using our solution, schools can increase student-athlete health and safety while reducing their risk of liability associated with managing the PHI of athletes. PRIVIT is the industry leader as a HIPAA and FERPA compliant solution that carries multiple US patents for privacy, and continuously encrypts all its data.

Benefits shared by current high schools in Missouri using PRIVIT include:

- No cost for all MSHSAA or state required forms
- Ability for parents to fill out and sign all documents required for eligibility along with uploading a signed physical using the camera on their mobile device
- Ability for school personnel to identify which forms an athlete is missing based on completion reports that are run within the solution
- Ongoing access to health information on their mobile device, eliminating the need for binders of forms
- Built-in data retention policy of information, which ensures the school reduces the risk of liability or negligence by not following HIPAA standards for archiving PHI

Getting started is easy and the benefits can be experienced almost immediately for the school and the parents. For more information, please visit <u>www.privit.com</u>. To speak with a representative about getting your school set up send an email to <u>info@privit.com</u>. We look forward to serving your schools and student-athletes, thank you to the MSHSAA for trusting PRIVIT to manage this process.

All the best Phil

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