

GEORGIA TECH SPORTS MEDICINE

INJURY, ILLNESS, AND MEDICAL PROCEDURES

Intercollegiate Athletic Medical Eligibility

- All physical examinations are scheduled through the athletic training staff after academic eligibility and insurance information has been provided.
- All prospective student athletes must pass a physical examination given by the Georgia Tech Team Physician or his/her designee before being permitted to participate in athletic activity for Georgia Tech. The physical examination is effective for the duration of the academic year. All team candidates may lose their clearance status if the following are not completed:
 - Signed Assumption of Risk, Release of Medical Information and under age 18 waiver.
 - Submitted primary insurance information. Note: requirement for all walk-on team candidates prior to a physical exam.
 - Submitted additional medical information as requested by the team physician.
- The Team Physician may re-examine any student-athlete and change the student-athlete's status at any time should the situation warrant.
- A complete medical history must be provided to the athletic trainer or team physician before the physical exam. Failure to report conditions may result in disqualification from intercollegiate activity or delayed clearance to participate in intercollegiate activity.
- Candidates with special conditions may be referred to specialists for examination. Failure to report special conditions will release Georgia Tech from any liability in the event of another injury caused by or related to the unreported condition. Any tests (x-rays included) or referral to specialists to conclude a student-athlete's physical examination will be the responsibility of the student-athlete and his/her family.
- Loss of one of the paired organs (e.g. kidney, eye) or any other condition that is determined by the team physician to be detrimental to the student-athlete's health and well-being may disqualify a candidate from participation in intercollegiate athletics.

Medical Treatment

- The athletic trainer will screen signs and symptoms and provide care or refer the student-athlete to a physician as necessary.
- In case of an emergency or medical problem outside of the training room hours, contact an athletic trainer for assistance or advice immediately. If there is a true emergency or life-threatening situation, dial 911. These problems should be immediately referred to the local hospital.
- All treatments and appointments will be given under the direction of the team physician and under the supervision of an athletic trainer.
- The Sports Medicine Department works in with the Georgia Tech Stamps Health Services to assist with the needs of the student-athletes.
- **It is the policy of the GTAA to NOT provide outside medical treatment for non-athletically related injuries or illnesses.**
- Athletes may choose to seek outside treatment or referrals on their own. All costs are the sole responsibility of the athlete and their parents/guardians. The GTAA will not be held financially responsible. The Sports Medicine staff must be informed of all referrals.
- Athletic training room policies are as follows:
 - The Sports Medicine Staff is here to provide quality care for our student-athletes. Proper conduct is expected.
 - The athletic training room is a co-educational facility. All athletes are required to wear shorts and a t-shirt.
 - Report all injuries and illnesses to your team athletic trainer or to an athletic trainer in the athletic training room.
 - Be on time for all treatments. Failure to keep appointments will be interpreted as indifference and lack of desire to return quickly to full activity. Reports of tardiness and such indifference will be reported to your head coach.
 - All equipment will be turned on and off by the Sports Medicine staff. NO ONE is to self-administer treatment. All equipment and supplies must remain in the training room unless expressly permitted otherwise by an athletic trainer.
 - Records of treatment attendance are open to all coaches for review.
 - All athletes must shower after practice/workouts before receiving treatment.
 - GTAA Policy is that student-athletes will not consume any dietary supplement that is not given to him/her by the sports medicine department or the sports nutrition department.