



JOIN TODAY! PROFESSIONALS AGAINST DOPING IN SPORTS (PADS)

The American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) and the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) have formed **Professionals Against Doping in Sports (PADS)** to develop a consortium of professional societies that would band together behind common ethical principles targeted at physicians, allied medical professionals and coaches to provide additional impetus for anti-doping efforts. We continue to reach out to professional societies to join with us as *PADS Organizational Members* in support of these ethical principles.

We are eager to have your organization join us in this effort. As part of this process, we are asking your organization to fulfill the following actions:

- 1) Affirm their support of the principles of ethical behavior listed below. Obviously, in some cases, where sanctions might be applied, you would establish the rules for your own membership.
- 2) To participate in educational programs for your members and others that you might influence to promote anti-doping efforts.
- 3) To participate with ACSM in other activities of mutual interest that might be supportive of the larger goal of providing drug-free sport.

Statement of Principles of Ethical Behavior for ACSM Members*

***Please note: Your organization may use ACSM's Statement of Principles of Ethical Behavior listed below as a model to match the unique needs to your organization, but it is not required.**

- 1) I will treat or train athletes with the objective of maintaining the integrity of competition and fair play.
- 2) I will treat or train every athlete with the utmost care and to the highest level of my professional competence.
- 3) I acknowledge that I am aware of international doping control standard as determined by the World Anti-doping Program or by the relevant Anti-Doping Authority.
- 4) I will treat athletes only as their medical conditions warrant and will observe the rules of the appropriate anti-doping organizations regarding use of prohibited substances and methods.
- 5) I will not advise, aid or abet any athlete to use prohibited substances or methods of doping.
- 6) I will use all means possible to deter doping by athletes.
- 7) I will maintain confidentiality of personal medical information and will protect the right of the clean athlete to compete.
- 8) I agree that departure from these principles of ethical behavior in treating athletes may result in sanctions by ACSM and will accept those sanctions as determined.

To JOIN PADS, please complete the form and fax to ACSM at (317) 634-7817, ATTN: Eric Utterback.

I, (Name) _____ of (Organization) _____ agree to implement the above mentioned actions. I understand this is a voluntary organizational commitment and there is *no membership fee* to be a member of PADS.

(Address) _____

(City, St., Zip) _____

(Telephone) _____

(Fax) _____

(E-mail) _____

