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Information Bulletin

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Dear Members,

As we officially enter Phase 2 of <u>Ontario Soccer's Return to Play Guide</u> this week, there's good reason to balance excitement with caution. The COVID-19 pandemic is still very real and affecting many youth sport organizations – in some cases worse than others.

We must harness our optimism and passion and apply an unrelenting commitment to everyone's health and safety. Recognizing the wide range of impact that COVID-19 is having throughout the world, our stance on returning to play remains the same as it was in Phase 1: abide by local public health regulations and enjoy a safe return to the game we all love. **This can, and should, be done in harmony.**

Of course, IFC Soccer always encourages members to follow our guidelines and recommendations established by local, provincial and federal public health authorities, to the extent applicable and possible. **Coaches, parents, staff administrators and student-athletes should continue to err on the side of caution in health and safety matters.**

To help keep you up to speed, we've created the following resources to help both our soccer families and families at home stay safe and informed.

Return-to-play Quick Facts:

- Best Practices
- When Not to Play
- Advice for Parents and Guardians
- Personal Protective Equipment



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 <u>CDC Youth Sports Considerations: Tips to Protect Players from</u> <u>COVID-19</u>

We remain as proud as ever of the resilience of our soccer community. Together, we will not just return to the way things used to be, but we'll form an even more fulfilling, elite development environment for every player.

Sincerely, Frank laizzo, Athletic Director