



To: Visiting Coaches, Student-Athletes, and School Administrators

From: Athletic Trainer for West Geauga High School

Re: Medical Coverage for Visiting Teams

Welcome! Please allow me to clarify my role in providing healthcare to your group, based on the limits established by my licensing board*. First and foremost, I am committed to providing the highest-quality first aid to all student-athletes participating in sports on this school's premises. Nevertheless, here is a list of Athletic Training Services unique to visiting student-athletes:

Things I am permitted to provide

- Emergency care for life-threatening conditions
- Basic assessment and first aid for bumps, bruises, bleeding, and other acute injuries
- Preventive taping of un-injured body parts (**Please provide your own supplies**)
- Therapeutic/restorative taping and treatment **only** when a student-athlete has a note from a physician or physical therapist requesting this service (a note from your athletic trainer will not suffice– **Please provide your own supplies**)

What I cannot provide

- If a student-athlete gets injured in the course of his/her participation at this school, I will **not** be able to provide therapeutic/restorative taping or treatment, nor make a return to play decision for that individual.

Thanks in advance for your attention to this memo and for your understanding regarding my legal limits as an Athletic Trainer. Good luck with your sports season!

*For more information, please visit <http://otptat.ohio.gov/AthleticTraining/FAQ.aspx>.