

# PROPOSED NEW POLICY

**DOCUMENT: PP1**

**SECTION: F4 - Safe Sport**

**CURRENT WORDING:**

**New Policy**

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

## **F-4.1 POLICY: Communicable Disease Prevention Policy**

A communicable disease is an illness caused by an infectious agent or its toxic product that can be transmitted from one person to another. Examples of communicable diseases are COVID-19, norovirus, seasonal influenza, HIV, Hepatitis.

BC Speed Skating is committed to providing a safe environment for all members, this includes taking precautions to prevent the transmission of illnesses that may be present in the environment. Prevention is the responsibility of all members. The following principles will apply

### The Golden Rules of Prevention

- Get Vaccinated
- Follow Guidelines
- Stay home if Sick
- Check before you travel
- Respect Personal Space
- It's always safer outside
- Consider other people's situation
- Clean your hands

1. BC Speed Skating will prepare and update when needed, procedures for use by member clubs and event organizers. These procedures will outline measures and practices to reduce the risk of spread of communicable disease and will be based on the advice of Provincial Health Authorities, viaSport, WorkSafe BC and other reputable sources. The Communicable Disease Plan will be updated as needed.
2. Clubs and Event Organizers must monitor and review communicable disease-related information issued by their regional medical health officer and create a club-specific Communicable Disease Prevention Plan which is aligned with the BC Speed Skating Procedures.
3. Each Member Club will appoint a person responsible for Safety who be responsible for monitoring and reviewing communicable disease-related information issued by their regional medical health officer and other responsibilities as outlined in the Communicable Disease Prevention Procedures.

4. Each Club Board of Directors will be responsible for approving their Communicable Disease Prevention Plan on an annual basis or when directed by Local or Provincial Health Advisories whichever is shortest.
5. No participant may be asked about vaccination status as this is considered Personal Health Information and is private and confidential, unless the PHO stipulates otherwise. Under no circumstances will a participant be denied participation based on vaccine status.

**RATIONALE:**

**In Keeping with recommendations from viaSport and the PHO.**

**PROPOSED BY: Staff**

**RESULT: Approved by Board July 2021**

**DATE:**