

# **NACHL Health Policy**

## **for the Novice Adult Coed Hockey League (NACHL)**

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The COVID pandemic is causing concerns and issues for many sports leagues and other organizations across the world. This has caused a wide re-thinking of how professional and recreational leagues handle pandemic outbreaks. It would be naïve to think that we will not be dealing with these situations in the future. Therefore, this policy has been written to protect the integrity of the league.

First, your health is the most important thing. Please cherish it.

Second, the health of your teammates is just as important.

Therefore, it is the expectation that you act in a manner which will allow you to stay healthy and not expose your teammates to illness. If you are sick, do not come to a camp night or a game.

### **Individual concerns**

If you contract an illness that will prevent you from participating in the league, please contact the league commissioner as soon as possible.

### **League concerns**

If the rink is closed or the league is suspended, the league officials will begin discussions with the rink to determine what the possible options are moving forward. In previous situations may outcomes have been seen. Sometimes the league has been postponed and picked up at a later date. Some leagues have abandoned the games that were missed and picked back up when it was possible to do so.

### **Financial matters**

It is understood that there is always a question about the financial aspects and whether refunds will be provided or credit be given. Given the nature of the league and the payments that need to be made, it is not possible to make a clear and declarative statement about these financial matters. Understand the goal of the league is to get people playing ice hockey in a safe and enjoyable and this will be the guiding principle when making all decisions.