

HB 1961 - DIGEST

Requires intercollegiate athletic programs to formally contract with team medical professionals. The contract must include provisions stating that: (1) The athletic program will accept liability for the actions of team medical professionals relative to student-athletes; and

(2) The duty of the team medical professional to safeguard the health of a student-athlete trumps any considerations of athletic or team success.

Provides that, before a contract may be signed, the team medical professional must submit to a criminal background check and a review of his or her medical malpractice history by an assistant attorney general assigned to the college or university.

Provides that team medical professionals may not directly dispense any prescription pharmaceuticals to student-athletes for a course of treatment that lasts longer than one day.

Provides that, at least once a month, without identifying student-athletes, a team medical professional must issue to the athletic director of the college or university a report detailing all prescriptions for Schedule II drugs under RCW 69.50.206 written by the team medical professional for that reporting period.