



HGSA Coronavirus Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):

If an HGSA player or volunteer is diagnosed with coronavirus, or if they have come in close contact with a person who has a positive diagnosis, including a resident of their household, will he/she need a doctor's written permission to return to play at HGSA?

As with any injury or illness, it is a best practice that a player or volunteer be cleared by a medical professional to participate in HGSA activities. If someone in a player's household has been diagnosed with COVID-19, it's a best practice for that player to stay home, as directed by a medical professional.

According to the CDC, individuals who have been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19 should be alert for symptoms, watch for fever, cough, shortness of breath, or other symptoms of COVID-19, and take their temperature regularly and follow CDC guidance if you have symptoms. Individuals should also consult the State of New Jersey's and/or local guidance on recommendations for returning to activities.

Will HGSA communicate to its members about any confirmed cases of coronavirus in the league (players, parents, volunteers)?

Unfortunately, HGSA may be in the position of having a player in the league or volunteer notify them of contracting COVID-19 (Coronavirus). In this unique circumstance, HGSA will promptly notify their membership and more specifically individuals who may have come into contact with this individual, with the recommendation to follow all CDC and World Health Organization requirements for self-quarantine and to consult a medical professional.

The individual's name **WILL NOT** be shared with anyone and **WILL BE** kept to the strictest confidentiality; unless such individual has provided express consent that his/her name may be shared with the league membership.

New Jersey has issued guidance that anyone traveling to a certain state(s) should self-quarantine for a period of 14 days. If an HGSA player or volunteer travels to one of those states, should they participate in HGSA activities?

HGSA adheres to the guidelines set forth by the State of New Jersey, local government and health officials in regards to operating our softball programs. We would encourage individuals, including board members, coaches, players and umpires, who've traveled to a state with a self-quarantine advisory to adhere to New Jersey's voluntary 14 day quarantine.