

Important Health Care Legislation

SENATE BILLS 957 / 976 (ATHLETIC TRAINING LICENSURE BILLS)

On December 22, 2011 Governor Tom Corbett signed the Athletic Training Licensure Bills (Senate Bills - SBs 957 & 967) to officially become law as Acts 123 & 124 of 2011.

These Acts will take effect in 60 days. Congratulations once again to all athletic trainers who helped make this possible!

SENATE BILL 200 (SAFETY IN YOUTH SPORTS ACT)

On November 14th, 2011, Governor Corbett held a ceremonial signing for the "Safety in Youth Sports Act," at Lower Dauphin High School. PATS was invited to be a part of this signing due to our contributions to the legislation's language. Also present were Secretary of Education Ron Tomalis, and sponsors of the legislation Sen. Pat Browne (R-Lehigh) and Rep. Tim Briggs (D-Montgomery). This Act establishes standards to managing concussions and traumatic brain injuries to student athletes.

HB 1610 (Sudden Cardiac Death Legislation)

This Act establishes standards for preventing sudden cardiac arrest in student athletes. PATS has been working with Representative Vereb (primary sponsor of HB 1610) in Harrisburg to strengthen the cardiac legislation. PATS continues to be active with legislation that promotes athlete safety. Currently the bill stands in the Senate Education Committee.