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Elon University Primary Care & Sports Medicine
Elon University
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Dear Health Care Provider,

Your patient, a student-athlete at Elon University, plans to or already participates in intercollegiate athletics at our institution. The NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) requires that all athletes on stimulant medication for the treatment of ADD/ADHD provide adequate documentation of diagnosis and treatment to allow for a medical exemption. Stimulant medications are typically banned for use by NCAA athletes unless medical necessity is clearly documented by the host university. The Elon University Primary Care & Sports Medicine Department and The Department of Athletics is requesting the following information in order for your student-athlete to continue or begin their NCAA participation. This is critical for their participation in sports.

Please complete the enclosed form that will be required annually if your patient participates in NCAA athletics and continues to require stimulant medications for their treatment. In completing this paper work, you acknowledge that you have reviewed the patient’s health history and have informed them at some time of the safety information regarding stimulant use as well as misuse guidelines. Please attach any consult letters or SOAP notes that may clarify their diagnosis and the need to use stimulant medications for treatment.

Thank you for taking the time to do this. We greatly appreciate your assistance as we all try to comply with NCAA requirements!

Sincerely,

Kenneth Barnes  MD, MSc., CAQSM

Please send documentation to:

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