

This is an urgent update regarding the legislative requirements under the implementation of Rowan's Law by the Government of Ontario.

OHF has asked to forward this important information to all OMHA Center Mailing to all our Association and League contacts.

What is Rowan's Law? Rowan Stringer was a 17-year old Ottawa varsity rugby player who died from sustaining multiple concussions resulting in a catastrophic swelling of the brain – second impact syndrome. On March 7, 2018, Ontario passed Rowan's Law (Concussion Safety), 2018 and related amendments to the Education Act. However, it is important to understand that this applies to all Sport Organizations, schools, programs and businesses in the province. This is not a hockey 'thing' – it is legislation (Ontario Regulation 161/19) from the Government of Ontario.

# **Required Action**

#### Step One..

Click on the link below then click the "Download" button next to the age appropriate link on that page and carefully review the full document.

https://draytonminorhockey.com/Libraries/2336/DMH Documents/

### Step Two..

Under the "Forms" menu on the Drayton Minor Hockey website open and review the *OHF Concussion Code of Conduct* form.

### **Step Three..**

Complete and submit the digital Rowan's Law Acknowledgement Form. Click on the link below. <a href="https://draytonminorhockey.com/Forms/1144/Rowans">https://draytonminorhockey.com/Forms/1144/Rowans</a> Law/

# **Optional Resources**

The following links will provide you with more information about Rowan's Law.

OMHA informative article - <a href="https://www.omha.net/news-article/show/1034907">https://www.omha.net/news-article/show/1034907</a>
Ontario Government - <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/page/rowans-law-concussion-safety">https://www.ontario.ca/page/rowans-law-concussion-safety</a>
Coaches Association of Ontario - <a href="https://www.coachesontario.ca/concussion/">https://www.coachesontario.ca/concussion/</a>
OMHA Trainer Resources - <a href="https://www.omha.net/page/show/925387-safety-initiatives-and-trainer-resources">https://www.omha.net/page/show/925387-safety-initiatives-and-trainer-resources</a>

Thank you for your cooperation.