

DUPLICATE EMERGENCY FORMS AT ATHLETIC EVENTS

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- WHEREAS, One of the Objects of the National PTA is to secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth; and
- WHEREAS, The Education Code Section 11701 states: “The governing board of any district shall give diligent care to the health and physical development of pupils...;” and
- WHEREAS, Most school districts require emergency forms so they will have on file specific information regarding the type of health or hospital insurance parents carry, special health needs of students and permission to call for a doctor and/or ambulance in case of emergency; and
- WHEREAS, Most doctors and hospitals require authorization before treatment of minors; and
- WHEREAS, Many school offices are closed by four o’clock in the afternoon and without switchboard service, making it impossible to obtain the emergency form information quickly; and
- WHEREAS, Many school athletic events take place on weekends or after four o’clock in the afternoon; therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** That the California State PTA take immediate action to encourage the use of duplicate emergency forms, including an authorization for medical treatment signed by a parent or guardian, for every student actively engaged in athletic events taking place away from school or outside of regular school hours, with the second copy to be at the location of said athletic event; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** That the California State PTA refer this resolution to the California Inter-Scholastic Federation with urgent request for consideration; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** That the California State PTA urge the National PTA to request that on-site duplicate emergency forms be included as a safety item in the National Football Alliance Handbook.