



Team Saskatchewan NOTICE

(OFFICIAL AND VALID)

**Attention: All athletes, families and caregivers,
coaches and coordinators**

**ALL NAIG Events Postponed until further
notice.**

TO: all athletes, families, caregivers, coaches and coordinators of Team Saskatchewan North American Indigenous Games 2020.

FROM: Mike Tanton, Chef de Mission on behalf of the Team Saskatchewan Steering Committee.

The Team Saskatchewan Steering Committee has made the decision today **to postpone all NAIG events** including training and identification camps, coaching events and symposiums and any other gathering of Team Saskatchewan athletes, coaches or coordinators due to the recent outbreak of COVID-19, the illness caused by the novel coronavirus in Saskatchewan.

The decision to postpone events at this time is from a desire to assist in stemming the spread of the illness and to help ensure the safety and well-being of our team. At this time we have not determined dates or timelines for when events will be rescheduled. The Team Saskatchewan Steering Committee is closely monitoring the Public Health Agency of Canada recommendations and will keep our team notified about when we expect to resume activities.

NAIG Council which is the governing body for the games released the below statement on the games which are scheduled for July in Halifax:

“NAIG Council is currently monitoring the COVID-19 situation and working closely with the Host Society to take the proper precautions during the planning process. Plans for

NIAG 2020 are moving forward, the safety and well-being of all participants continue to be priority for all involved."

The plan for Team Saskatchewan's participation at the 2020 games also continues to move forward at this time. The committee continues to plan and to make the arrangements for Team Saskatchewan to participate in the Games. These plans will be adapted if needed as more information is provided and available.

Please continue to monitor the Team Saskatchewan Facebook page, other social media and the website at www.teamsasknaig.ca for the latest information on Team Saskatchewan and the Games. ***Only information provided by the Team Saskatchewan Steering Committee through the Team Saskatchewan website should be considered valid and true.***

We encourage participants to rely on verified and valid information concerning the virus and illness. As a team we will not provide medical advice or information about the illness and encourage questions to be directed towards your physicians and other medical experts. We do however encourage you to take precautions and to practice preventative actions which include:

- Practice proper cough and sneezing etiquette (into the bend in your elbow);
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer;
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands;
- Maintain safe food practices;
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick; and
- If you are sick, stay home.

Additionally, we encourage our team, if able, to remain physically active at home and to put your health and well-being first.

We will do our best to keep everyone informed and up to date through our official communication streams only.

On behalf of the Team Saskatchewan Steering Committee:



Mike Tanton, Chef de Mission