

MEDICAL COMMISSION CHARTER

MEDICAL COMMISSION CHARTER OF THE AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

1 / MISSION

The mission of the AOC Medical Commission is to provide advice to the Australian Olympic Committee ("AOC") Executive and Team Executives of Australian Olympic and Youth Olympic Teams on medical matters.

2 / ROLE

2.1. Clause 29.1 of the AOC Constitution provides as follows:-

"The Executive may appoint commissions and committees, not necessarily out of their number, and delegate to any such commission or committee or to a member of the Executive any of its powers, responsibilities and functions, other than:

- (1) this power of delegation; or
- (2) a duty imposed on the Committee by the Act or any other law."

2.2. The AOC Medical Commission is an advisory body only. It is not authorised to make any public statements or to take any public position on any issues without the prior approval of the President or, in his absence, the Chief Executive Officer of the AOC.

2.3. The AOC Medical Commission shall advise and report to the AOC Executive and Team Executives on the provision of medical services to Olympic and Youth Olympic Teams; compliance with the World Anti-Doping Code; the health and wellbeing of athletes; the appointment of medical personnel to Olympic and Youth Olympic Teams; and, the professional standards and guidelines of the Australian Medical Association and other relevant professional bodies to which Team medical personnel belong and which standards and guidelines they should follow.

2.4. The members of the AOC Medical Commission must:

- (1) act solely in the best interests of the AOC.
- (2) exercise their powers and discharge their duties with reasonable care and diligence, in good faith and for a proper purpose.
- (3) not make improper use of:
 - (a) their position;
 - (b) information acquired by virtue of holding their position; or
 - (c) so as to gain an advantage for themselves or any other person or to cause detriment to the AOC.

2.5. At meetings of the AOC Medical Commission, any member of the AOC Medical Commission who has a material personal interest in a matter being considered at such meeting must:

- (1) disclose the nature and extent of that interest to the meeting;
- (2) not be present while the matter is being considered at the meeting; and
- (3) not vote on the matter.

2.6. Clause 2.5 of this Charter does not apply to a material personal interest that exists only because the AOC Medical Commission member is a member of the AOC Medical Commission or an AOC Team.

3 / COMPOSITION & TERMS OF APPOINTMENT

- 3.1. The AOC Medical Commission is comprised of:
- (1) Three (3) Appointed members: Being members appointed by the AOC Executive, one of whom will be Chair;
 - (2) Ex Officio members: Being any Australian who is a member of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) Medical Commission or Oceania National Olympic Committees (ONOC) Medical Commission; and
 - (3) Team Medical Directors: Being the Team Medical Director of each Olympic and Youth Olympic Team.
- 3.2. The AOC Executive, as soon as practicable after the Annual General Meeting of the AOC in the year following the Olympic Games, will appoint the Appointed members. Their term is approximately four years. They can be re-appointed for further terms.
- 3.3. Ex Officio members become members for the term of their appointment to the IOC or ONOC Medical Commission.
- 3.4. Team Medical Directors become members from the date of their appointment until the conclusion of the first meeting of the AOC Medical Commission following the conclusion of the Olympic or Youth Olympic Games for which they were appointed, or for four years, whichever is the longer term.
- 3.5. It is a condition of appointment for all members of the AOC Medical Commission that they make the AOC statutory declaration regarding anti-doping matters in a manner satisfactory to the AOC.

4 / CHAIR

The AOC Executive will appoint the Chair.

5 / MEETINGS AND ADVICE

- 5.1. The AOC Medical Commission will meet face to face once per year and otherwise at the request of the AOC President or as deemed necessary by the Chair of the AOC Medical Commission. It is expected that additional meetings will be conducted by telephone conference (or similar) rather than face to face. The Chair will submit a report of the outcomes of meetings to the AOC Executive and relevant Team Executives.
- 5.2. In addition to the matters described in 2.3 above the AOC Medical Commission may advise on any:-
- (a) recommendations of the Team Medical Directors;
 - (b) environmental and general health issues; and
 - (c) other matters requested by the AOC Executive or President.
- 5.3. The AOC Sport Department will provide administrative support.

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