**ST. JOHN BOSCO GAC**

**Guidelines on Safe Return to Gaelic Games**

* Vulnerable Groups: Public Health guidelines may prevent the participation of vulnerable groups – if in any doubt members/players should seek advice before deciding to re-engage in GAA activities. Communication with parents essential.
* Medical Information: familiarise all with the identified vulnerable groups, the medical symptoms, the general ‘how to stay safe’ guidelines and the specific ones for players e.g. small groups, water bottles labelled
* Health Questionnaire: completed online prior to first training session; the presence of symptoms precludes attendance at training; responsibility of player (or parent) to inform the Covid Supervisor of any change in circumstance before other sessions
* Player Training: initially on a non-contact basis and small groups with same coach and equipment assigned to each group; all training is outdoors
* Preparation of Facilities: appropriate signage, hand gel dispensers, toilets, pitch side, medical isolation room and cleaning of training equipment
* Covid Supervisors: one supervisor with each team, present at training/games and to be easily identifiable – their role is made clear on the online module which includes sanitising of facilities and the controlling of personnel admitted to training
* Timesheets: training times need to be scheduled to avoid teams assembling at the same time
* Players & Coaches: all need to have completed the online education module; changing, strapping and showers at home; travel separately (except family members); labelled water bottles
* Effective Control Measures @ Training: personal hygiene, frequent hand washing, social distancing (2 metres), restricting group numbers, limiting travel, regular washing of gear & equipment, avoidance of spitting, use of face masks where applicable, avoidance of touching high contact surfaces (e.g. door handles), cleaning of toilets after training session, non-contact training initially, walking/cycling to training and the avoidance of hand shaking or ‘high fives’
* Changing Rooms/Toilets: no access to changing rooms or shower areas; toilets on a controlled basis
* Cohort Groups: Cohort 1 (U14 & Below) no more than ten in a group & two coaches

 Cohort 2 (15 – 18 yrs) as above

 Cohort 3 (Seniors) as above

* Online Education Module: initially focussing on Club Officers & Covid Supervisors but all players (parents in the case of underage players) and personnel involved in training must complete the mandatory online education module (from 18th June)
* CHECKLIST: document circulated to all players and team personnel; all are familiar with basic medical information re. Covis-19; facilities are prepared and ready; Chairperson/Secretary completed the online module; each team has a nominated Covid Supervisor who has completed the online module; training timetable in place; all participants have completed the online module; system in place for completion of player health questionnaires
* ROADMAP DATES: Phase 2 (8th June); Phase 3 (29th June); Phase 4 (20th July) Phase 5 (10th August)