Officials Review of the Medical Release Form

Coaches must explain this form to their athletes prior to going to their physician. Inappropriately filled out forms may result in an athlete not being able to compete. Obtain this updated form on the website – do not rely on previous season forms being current.

What the official should be looking for on the skin form:

- 1. The first thing an official should look for is if the form is signed. As indicated, it may be signed by an MD, DO, PA, or an APNP. If not signed, it is not valid.
- 2. The next thing to look at is if the condition is contagious or non-contagious.
- 3. Now look at the picture and see if the skin lesion(s) on the body of the wrestler match up with what is on the form.
- 4. If the skin condition is non contagious and match with what is on the form, the wrestler should be good to go.
- 5. If the condition is contagious and the location matches with what is on the form, check for the earliest date the participant may return. If that date has been reached, the athlete should be good to go.
- 6. If the lesions on the wrestler do not match up with the picture, in other words they are in different locations, or there are more than the picture indicates, then the wrestler would be unable to participate.
- 7. If the appropriate HCP did not mark the picture (this occasionally happens), then check the line that says "location and number of lesions." If it matches what you see on the wrestler, they should be good to go. If not, they should be withheld.'
- 8. If there are no picture markings or location description, they should be withheld.
- 9. Sometimes an AHCP will indicate that the condition is contagious but they may wrestle if it is covered. That is not acceptable. Withhold unless the return date has been met
- 8. If the license number and/or the printed provider name is missing, that should not warrant holding the athlete out of participation. Tell the coach to take care of that prior to their next weigh in.
- 9. The form will remain valid throughout the season as long as the description and location remain consistent what is on the form.