

Providence Health & Services Deploys InjureFree to Improve Concussion Care

PORTLAND, OREGON, USA, November 17, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In an effort to improve the coordination of concussion care for young athletes, Providence Health & Services is using InjureFree's care coordination technology in a pilot this fall in the Portland metro area. The aim of the pilot is to extend the clinical oversight offered by Certified Athletic Trainers to the local youth sports community, providing a connected care experience.

"Providence is committed to creating healthier communities and using new approaches to improve the care we provide," said Gwen Conner, director of Providence Health and Service's business accelerator in Oregon. "We are excited about innovating to better serve young athletes and their families."

Providing a web-based platform to document injuries improves communication between all caregivers. The pilot will be evaluating how InjureFree can complement Providence Health & Services' existing athletic training services and sports medicine program. If a head injury is suspected, coaches will complete injury reports on their smart phone where the information is accessible by the health system's



InjureFree is a web-based care coordination platform for all youth sports injuries.



CDC Heads Up concussion training is deployed and tracked with InjureFree

athletic trainers in real-time. The athletic trainers will connect with the athlete and their family to triage and coordinate follow-up care to help the athlete get appropriate, timely medical attention.

InjureFree CEO Charlie Wund commented, "Youth sports organizations are increasingly struggling with injury management, especially concussions. Health systems are looking for ways to enhance services within their surrounding communities. InjureFree bridges that gap and creates a connected care ecosystem that results in heightened oversight and improved injury management. We're excited to engage with Providence on such an innovative project."

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About InjureFree:

InjureFree is a web-based injury documentation and education platform for schools and youth sports organizations. InjureFree provides an all-in-one solution that keeps organizations in compliance with state laws, reduces paperwork, and provides a communication platform during recovery, including return to play documentation. InjureFree is a product of the Agency for Student Health Research. After a four-year development project, the HIPAA and FERPA compliant software and mobile platform is now collecting injury reports across the world. Visit InjureFree.com, follow us on Facebook and Twitter, or email us at info@injurefree.com for more information on how InjureFree can help your community.

About Providence Health & Services/Oregon:

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