Overuse injuries are responsible for over ½ of all sports injuries to middle and high school students. Because young athletes are still developing physically and mentally, they are particularly vulnerable to overuse injuries. Increasing numbers of youth who specialize in one sport and train year round also contribute to the rise in overuse injuries. This program will guide practitioners in identifying the symptoms of overuse injury and help clarify the sometimes confusing causes of injury. Our speaker will review the factors that contribute to overuse injury. Because injuries vary according to the sports played by young athletes, the program will cover the different types of overuse injuries. Our speaker will also examine the methods and treatments for preventing and reducing overuse injuries. Finally our speaker will provide guidance on recommended steps and strategies for a successful return to play.

Participants will be able to:

- Define the incidence and type of overuse injuries seen in the major sports such as football, soccer, basketball, hockey, baseball/softball, and lacrosse;
- Describe the different overuse injury patterns that exist in skeletally immature athletes as compared to their adult counterparts;
- Describe methods to reduce the risk of injury in young athletes.

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