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The Childress Institute for Pediatric Trauma (CIPT) is honored to participate as a member of the Youth Sports Safety Alliance and shares your mission to raise awareness, advance legislation and improve medical care for all injured children, across the country. We pledge to support the Call to Action steps and add our voice to improve the health and safety of young athletes.

CIPT's mission is to lead national efforts to reduce death and disability following injury to children less than 18 years old. Life-threatening injury is the No. 1 killer of kids in America. Nearly 10,000 children die each year – more than all other causes combined. Like the Alliance, CIPT is committed to reducing these numbers by improving the health and safety of children. While many great organizations are helping prevent childhood injuries, the Childress Institute is focused on funding research and medical education throughout the U.S. to improve treatment, as well as raising public awareness about the magnitude of pediatric trauma from all causes.

Spearheaded by the National Athletic Trainers' Association, we are proud to have joined the more than 100 organizations in the knowledge that speaking and acting collectively is more effective than anything we can do individually.

Again, thank you for inviting CIPT to join the Alliance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Meredith", is written over a horizontal line.

J. Wayne Meredith, MD
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