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Dear Mr. Hill:

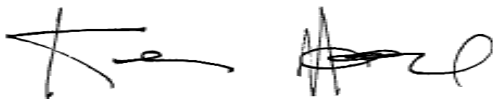
I am writing to commend the Ontario Minor Hockey Association's (OMHA) decision to adopt a COVID-19 vaccination policy for the 2021-22 hockey season that requires individuals be fully vaccinated as a condition of participation in OMHA activities.

COVID-19 vaccination policies are an important strategy for reducing the transmission of COVID-19, reducing the impact of the fourth wave, and preventing the need for stronger public health measures, including business closures. I believe that COVID-19 vaccination policies in organizations such as yours can prevent the transmission of COVID-19 and help you continue your critical work that fosters the physical and mental health of Ontarians, especially in children and youth, which is particularly important during this challenging time.

I understand that adopting COVID-19 vaccination policies can bring implementation challenges and resistance from those impacted, and more broadly. As you navigate this, I wish to provide my full support and an offer to collaborate with the OMHA to address and overcome issues to ensure the successful application of the strong COVID-19 vaccination policy that has been adopted. I believe the OMHA policy can be an example for vaccination policies across the amateur sports sector in Ontario.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to myself or Colleen Kiel at colleen.kiel@ontario.ca.

Yours truly,



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