

Codebook for Youth Sports Traumatic Brain Injury Laws

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This dataset describes the variables in a dataset that examines variation in state laws regulating youth sports traumatic brain injuries. This is a longitudinal dataset, and captures laws in effect from January 1, 2009 through July 1, 2017. The jurisdictions selected for measurement are the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

This codebook should be used in conjunction with the statistical data extract that can be downloaded from the dataset homepage by clicking on the Data button. There are four standard variables in every LawAtlas dataset. They are:

JURISDICTION

This is a dropdown selection in each coding form. It includes the jurisdictions coded in the dataset.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This date (MM/DD/YYYY) is the most recent effective date of the legal text captured for this place. The effective date represents the date the policy coded was put into effect.

VALID THROUGH DATE

This date (MM/DD/YYYY) is either the last date a law or policy was in effect prior to an amendment or the last date the researcher confirmed the law or policy was in effect during the research process.

LEGAL TEXT

This is a text box that captures all legal text relevant to the coding questions. This will not download into Microsoft Excel.

Questions	
Question 1:	Does state law specifically address youth sports TBIs?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 1:	SCAnyLaw
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 2:	Does the law require a student athlete with a suspected TBI to be removed from play?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 2:	SCRemoval
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 3:	Must the parent or guardian be notified of the suspected or diagnosed TBI?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 3:	SCParNotf
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 4:	Does the law specify requirements for a return-to-play policy?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 4:	SCRtP
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 5:	Is clearance from a health professional necessary for a student athlete to return to play?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 5:	SCLicMedClear
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No

Question 6:	Does the health professional providing clearance need to be trained in TBI management?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 6:	TBItrained
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 7:	Does the health professional providing clearance need to be a medical doctor?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 7:	SCclearanceMD
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 8:	Must the clearance be provided by a written document?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 8:	SCWritClear
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 9:	Does the law specify requirements for a return-to-learn policy?
Question Type:	Binary - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 9:	TBI_ReturnToLearn
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 10:	What measures are mandated by law for student athletes who have suffered a TBI before they can return-to- learn?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 10:	TBI_ReturnToLearnReq_Reduced class time
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

Question 11:	What measures are mandated by law for student athletes who have suffered a TBI before they can return-to- learn?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 11:	TBI_ReturnToLearnReq_Modifications of curriculum
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 12:	What measures are mandated by law for student athletes who have suffered a TBI before they can return-to- learn?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 12:	TBI_ReturnToLearnReq_Limitations on activities the athlete can engage in
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 13:	What measures are mandated by law for student athletes who have suffered a TBI before they can return-to- learn?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 13:	TBI_ReturnToLearnReq_Monitoring by health professional staff
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 14:	What measures are mandated by law for student athletes who have suffered a TBI before they can return-to- learn?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 14:	TBI_ReturnToLearnReq_Monitoring by academic staff
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 15:	What measures are mandated by law for student athletes who have suffered a TBI before they can return-to- learn?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 15:	TBI_ReturnToLearnReq_Monitoring by athletic staff
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

Question 16:	What measures are mandated by law for student athletes who have suffered a TBI before they can return-to-learn?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 16:	TBI_ReturnToLearnReq_Other
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 17:	Does the law require mandatory TBI-specific training for coaches?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 17:	TBI_CoachTrained
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 18:	Does the law explicitly require distribution of a TBI information sheet?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 18:	TBI_InfoSheet
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 19:	In order for a student athlete to participate in athletics, is the parent or guardian required to sign a TBI information sheet?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 19:	TBI_AwarenessSheet
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 20:	In order for a student athlete to participate in athletics, are they required to sign a TBI information sheet?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 20:	TBI_Studentsign
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No

Question 21:	Must the TBI information sheet be distributed at least annually to student athletes or their parents or guardians?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 21:	TBI_SheetDistributed
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 22:	Does the law require the information sheet be updated with developments in TBI risks or treatment?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 22:	TBI_sheetupdated
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 23:	Does the law explicitly address liability?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 23:	TBI_LimitLiab
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 24:	Does the law address liability for volunteers?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 24:	TBI_LiabVol
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 25:	Does the law address liability for health professionals?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 25:	TBI_LiabHealthPro
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No

Question 26:	Does the law address liability for school districts?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 26:	TBI_LiabSch
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 27:	Does the law address liability for school district employees?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 27:	TBI_LiabSchEmpl
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 28:	Does the law address liability for coaches or team officials?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 28:	TBI_LiabCoach
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 29:	Does the law address liability for other non-athlete participants in youth sports?
Question Type:	Categorical - mutually exclusive
Variable Name 29:	TBI_LiabPart
Variable Values:	1, 2
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	2 = No
Question 30:	What preventive measures are required to reduce the likelihood of TBIs?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 30:	TBI_Prevent_Maximum amount of time an athlete can engage in full-contact physical activity
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 31:	What preventive measures are required to reduce the likelihood of TBIs?



Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 31:	TBI_Prevent_Limitations to the types of physical activities that can be engaged in during practice
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 32:	What preventive measures are required to reduce the likelihood of TBIs?
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 32:	TBI_Prevent_No preventive measures are required by the law
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes