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BCWBS endorses the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport regarding the status of cannabis in sport.

With the recent legalization of recreational cannabis, the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport has released a statement regarding the status of cannabis in sport. CCES would like to remind athletes that cannabis remains banned in sport, and a positive test for cannabis may still result in a sanction after October 17, 2018.

Cannabis will remain banned in sport in Canada because the Canadian Anti-Doping Program (CADP) follows the World Anti-Doping Agency's (WADA) Prohibited List, an international standard that is not affected by changes in Canadian law. Once legal, cannabis will be just one of many substances that is legal in Canada, yet prohibited in sport.

The CCES has several resources to help stakeholders in making informed decisions when it comes to drugs and sport, two recently created specifically to assist with cannabis. The <u>cannabis</u> <u>webpage</u> and <u>Cannabis in Sport Education Kit</u> are go-to resources for cannabis in sport which include information on medical marijuana, an FAQ, a cannabis in sport quiz and much more.

You can find these resources here: https://cces.ca/cannabis

Information regarding therapeutic use exemptions for medical marijuana can be found here: https://cces.ca/therapeutic-use-exemptions

Please share this information with your athletes and coaches that may be a part of the Canadian Anti-Doping Program and remind them that BC Wheelchair Basketball is committed to clean sport.