

TAKE ANY DISTRICT

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

PREPARED ESPECIALLY FOR:

FOR THE POSITION OF:

Health and safety committee chair

KEY MEETING DATES:

District Committee meetings

POSITION CONCEPT: Responsible to the district chair. Works with the camping committee and other program committees to ensure the district has safe and healthy practices, equipment, and facilities at all locations where Scout programs may occur.

PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Identify health and safety resources. Identify health and safety consultants who could assist the district both as specialists and as members of the health and safety committee.
2. Keep informed of health and safety issues. Review national BSA policies relating to health and safety, such as the *Guide to Safe Scouting* and the *Health and Safety Guide*.
3. Analyze Scouting program activities to identify potential risk or loss exposure. The committee will familiarize itself with all program activities to identify what potential for loss exists.
4. Review camp injury reports to identify trends requiring preventive action. Review all camp health logs and injury reports for recurring items. These reports need to be reviewed every week during camp in order to find and head off recurring safety issues.
5. Communicate health and safety issues. Keep everyone informed and alert to BSA policies and procedures related to safety protection, accident prevention, emergency preparedness, health education, fitness, camp standards, and aquatics.
6. Work with district program committees. Communicate health and safety issues to the various district program committees.
7. Promote personal health and physical fitness. Seek opportunities to promote adult leader and youth awareness of personal health and physical fitness.