

Summary Explanation and Background Continued  
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On September 16, 2015, The School Board of Broward County, Florida approved LL-2, Agreement with Broward Health for Athletic Trainer Services. The agreement provides and funds nationally/state certified athletic trainers at twenty Broward County Public High schools. After School Board approval, the agreement was forwarded to Broward Health for execution. Due to the United States Department of Justice investigation, all Broward Health contracts were substantially delayed. Attached for your information is a letter from Maria Panyi, Vice President Physician Practices, Broward Health, explaining the contractual delay and the need now for a contract amendment. Although the contract approval process was delayed, there has been no interruption of athletic trainer services to Broward County Public School student athletes. Further, since a final agreement has not been executed by Broward Health, no payment for services by the School Board of Broward County has been made.

As Ms. Panyi cites in her letter, the delay in approving the athletic trainer agreement by Broward Health is “due to circumstances beyond our control.” Due to our strong partnership with Broward Health, important services performed by athletic trainers continued during challenging times.