Project Title: Camogie Players and Coaches Attitudes on the Implementation of Injury Prevention Programmes.

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Project Description

The Sports Medicine Research Cluster at DCU seeks an Undergraduate Summer Intern to implement a large-scale questionnaire examining camogie players and coaches’ attitudes towards injury prevention programmes. Research in camogie players, like most female sports, is lacking. Despite the clear benefits of injury prevention programmes developed for camogie players, their uptake is extremely low. This study aims to understand potential barriers and challenges to the implementation of injury prevention strategies to rectify these issues and so maximize their uptake. Therefore, this research project, in partnership with the Camogie Association, aims to understand the real-world difficulties faced by volunteer coaches and players when implementing these strategies.

Principal Duties and Responsibilities

Under the supervision of the Principal Investigator, the Intern will:

- Engage in appropriate training as required.
- Work as part of the Sports Medicine Cluster research team.
- Develop online platforms to advertise the questionnaire.
- Recruit camogie players and coaches to complete the questionnaire.
- Write a report on preliminary findings.
- Develop an infographic to disseminate the key findings to camogie players and coaches.
- Carry out administrative work associated with the project as necessary.
- Assist in the development of summary findings and presentation thereof.