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Leading Sports Injury Epidemiologist Dr. Thomas Dompier named President of the Datalys Center

Indianapolis, June 8, 2011 – Thomas Dompier, Ph.D., ATC, has been named president of the Datalys Center for Sports Injury Research and Prevention Inc. Dr. Dompier will oversee and manage the Datalys Center’s operations as well as have direct responsibility for the Datalys Center’s research and surveillance programs.

The Datalys Center currently conducts the injury surveillance program for the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). The Datalys Center was also recently awarded a grant by the National Athletic Trainers' Association Research and Education Foundation to conduct an injury surveillance and outcomes study in secondary schools, called NATA NATION.

Previously, Dr. Dompier was the program coordinator of the Graduate Athletic Training Education Program at the University of South Carolina, where he also served as the director of Health Economics and Outcomes Research for the Datalys Center. His expertise is in the design and management of large scale epidemiological field studies, and he brings athletic training, biostatistics and research experience to his new role. Dr. Dompier has been involved in several large scale epidemiological sports medicine studies and injury prevention programs that include the Appropriate Medical Coverage in Intercollegiate Athletics Study (AMCIA), the Relationships among Player Risk Factors and Injuries in Youth Football, the Certified Athletic Trainer -Forward program, and the Soldier Health Promotion to Examine and Reduce Health Disparities (SHPERHD) project.

“Dr. Dompier brings significant research and sports medicine experience to the table that will enable the Datalys Center to grow its capabilities and reputation as a leading sports medicine research organization,” said Jim Whitehead, Executive Vice President, of the American College of Sports Medicine and Datalys Center’s Board Chair.

Dr. Dompier’s educational background includes a bachelor’s degree from Michigan State University in Athletic Training, a master’s degree from Pennsylvania State University in Kinesiology and a doctoral degree from Michigan State University where he received his training in Sports Injury Epidemiology. After completing his doctoral degree, Dr. Dompier served as a Post Doctoral Fellow at the University of South Carolina before joining the faculty. Dr. Dompier has also served in national leadership positions such as the Vice-Chair for Free



Communications and Study Leader for National Athletic Trainers' Association Research and Education Foundation Research Committee.

“The Datalys Center offers an innovative and forward thinking approach to injury surveillance, that has the potential to significantly advance the field of sports medicine research and our understanding of human injury, said Dr. Dompier. “I am extremely honored to be chosen to lead the organization as we set our sights on injury prevention at all levels of sport and physical activity both nationally and globally.”

About The Datalys Center

Datalys Center is a national, non-profit organization that conducts research and provides research and surveillance expertise to support the sports injury information needs of organizations and individuals focused on improving the health and safety of the growing number of Americans who are physically active and/or participate in sports. Formed by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), BioCrossroads, and the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM), Datalys Center serves a variety of constituencies, including academic researchers, sports governing organizations, the sports medicine community, policymakers, the media, and the general public. You can learn more about the Datalys Center at our website.

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