

## First Aid Kits: What Goes in Them?

## **ASAP Requirement #12**

Bringing a first aid kit to all games and practices is an important part of implementing your league's ASAP Safety Plan. Your league's Safety Officer should ensure first aid kits are fully stocked throughout the season. Keep a list of supplies in your first aid kit, so it can be replenished as needed. If managers or coaches use any first aid supplies, they should work to replace them through your league's appropriate purchasing process before the team meets again.

## Each league can decide what to put in their first aid kits. Suggested items include:

- Adhesive Bandages
- Gauze
- Athletic tape
- Antiseptic cleanser

- Gloves
- Bag to dispose of soiled items
- Scissors
- Tweezers

- CPR face mask
- First aid manual
- Instant chemical cold packs

The concession stand should have a stocked first aid kit, as well as access to ice for treating bruises and sprains; and plenty of drinking water. In addition to having first aid kits a game and practice locations, it is critical that a representative from each team attends a first aid training every year. Your league should also have an emergency plan as part of your ASAP safety plan. This should be accessible and include your field address and emergency phone numbers. There must be a working cell phone on site, or, if you're location isn't in cell service, a working landline.

When fundraising and budgeting for your league, factor in the cost of first aid kits. Make sure you have enough supplies for each team to last throughout the season. At the end of the season, throw out any expired items and determine what you'll need to restock each kit.

Leagues are encouraged to review the ASAP requirements when building an ASAP plan for the current season.

