

## Tips for the Team Leader

As a team leader, you have, or will have, the opportunity to prevent hazing and promote healthy relationships among your team members.

Follow these 5 steps to score a win for you and your team:

### Get Knowledge

Build on this course by knowing your school's policy and your state's laws that cover hazing. Research more about what hazing looks and sounds like.

### Teach the Team

You're in a unique position to correct misconceptions of what hazing is and isn't, so share your knowledge by taking a positive approach to team building.

### Stick to Support

Build relationships with the coaches, support staff, and administration to create a web of positivity and support against questionable behaviors/activities.

### Intelligent Inclusion

Make it a point to include all team members in team duties and other opportunities you may have power over. This creates an atmosphere of tolerance and inclusion, not division.

### Stay Vigilant

Just because hazing hasn't happened yet, doesn't mean it won't happen in the future. It thrives in secrecy and can often occur during off field or pre-season events. Hazing is a cycle of abuse and it is often those who were hazed in the past who haze others the next year.