Andrews Institute and Nemours Named Official Medical Providers USTA Campus

Some of the nation's top youth tennis players will optimize their performance through sports medicine programs designed by the Andrews Institute for Orthopaedics & Sports Medicineand Nemours Children's Health System. The two organizations have come together to be the Official Medical Services Providers for the USTA National Campus, the Home of American Tennis.

Nemours and Andrews Institute will provide a team physician, program director, sports nutritionist and athletic trainers for the USTA National Campus in Orlando's Lake Nona Medical City. These specialists will offer pediatric-focused injury prevention, rehabilitation and therapy along with athletic performance programs focused on optimizing a young athlete's performance.

Nemours and Andrews Institute are committed to bringing these sports medicine programs to athletes across the region.

"To leave a legacy of athletic injury prevention to parents, young athletes, trainers and coaches, is a career goal of mine," said James Andrews, MD, founding partner of the Andrews Institute. "To come together with a pediatric program the caliber of Nemours, with a mission of making life better for children and focusing on pediatric health, ties directly to my own mission to keep young athletes on the playing field and out of the operating room."

Dr. Andrews is an internationally renowned orthopaedic surgeon who is the medical director for the Andrews Institute in Gulf Breeze, Fla. (near Pensacola). He is known throughout the world and recognized for his scientific and clinical research contributions in knee, shoulder and elbow injuries, as well as his skill as an orthopaedic surgeon.

"Dr. Andrews and the Andrews Institute are recognized national leaders in sports medicine," said Robert Bridges, chief executive of Florida operations for Nemours Children's Health System. "Nemours began as a pediatric orthopaedic hospital and has expanded that legacy with a world-class team. Together with Andrews Institute, I know we can make an impact for young athletes and the USTA."

Nemours Children's Health System has long been a leader in sports medicine. The system includes one of the largest and most widely respected pediatric orthopaedic practices in the United States. Nemours sports performance programs provide comprehensive services designed to help improve young athletes' game and curb injuries.

In addition to the training program, this agreement includes the creation of the Nemours/Andrews Institute Family Tennis Zone. This area on the campus will be comprised of eight 36-foot courts and eight 60-foot courts, which are smaller than traditional competition size. The focus will be to introduce the game of tennis to young people and create a lifetime habit of physical activity.

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