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## PUBLIC CENSURE of NATA MEMBER

The Committee on Professional Ethics (COPE) of the National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA) has suspended the NATA membership of **THOMAS HORTON for one (1) year.** 

COPE has also ordered a public censure of **THOMAS HORTON** due to a finding of the following violations of the NATA Code of Ethics:

- 1. Members Shall Practice with Compassion, Respecting the Rights, Welfare, and Dignity of Others
  - 1.2. Member's duty to the patient is the first concern, and therefore members are obligated to place the welfare and long-term well-being of their patient above other groups and their own self-interest, to provide competent care in all decisions, and advocate for the best medical interest and safety of their patient at all times as delineated by professional statements and best practices.
- 2. Members Shall Comply With the Laws and Regulations Governing the Practice of Athletic Training, National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA) Membership Standards, and the NATA Code of Ethic
  - 2.2. Members shall understand and uphold all NATA Standards and the Code of Ethics.

National Athletic Trainers' Association Committee on Professional Ethics (COPE)