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To the members of FIFA

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FIFA Diploma in Football Medicine (<http://f-marc.com/footballdiploma/>)

Dear Sir or Madam,

With the support of some of the most recognised international experts in sports medicine, FIFA is launching a new initiative to help disseminate the latest knowledge in sports science and improve care for football players around the globe. The "FIFA Diploma in Football Medicine" is a free online course, accessible to all and also designed to help clinicians learn how to diagnose and manage common football-related injuries and illnesses.

Each module is written by international experts in their respective fields, sharing written content, podcasts and video examinations as well as providing links to journal articles and other resources. High-profile players also share their experiences of injury and what they learned through recovery. For further information, check the [diploma webpage](#).

The diploma acts as an easily accessible platform for disseminating the knowledge that the FIFA Medical Assessment and Research Centre (F-MARC) has gained over the past 22 years. For instance, by raising the awareness of the FIFA 11+ programme alone, we may be able to reduce the incidence of football-related injuries by up to 50 percent.

While the diploma is designed to be completed in its entirety, it can be used in a variety of ways. For example, participants might want to learn about one area in particular and complete a single lesson or module only. In completing the "FIFA Diploma in Football Medicine", medical staff will improve the standard of care they provide to athletes all over the world.

FIFA appeals to all its member associations to communicate the news regarding the "FIFA Diploma in Football Medicine" to their clubs and national teams at all levels. It is an outstanding resource for all health practitioners involved in the care of football players. It is unique, contemporary, comprehensive and superbly educational and should not be missed. Education is key to prevention!

We thank you very much for your cooperation and, should you have any questions, invite you to contact FIFA's Medicine and Science Office (medical@fifa.org).

Yours faithfully,

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