



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Power week of training for Team Managers for Sports the SOL23 Pacific Games 2023**

#### **First Aid Training, Anti-Doping & Team Manager Refresher Course**

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**SASNOC**

With three (3) months away from the commencement of the Pacific Games in the Solomon Islands, SASNOC and SMADA (Samoa Medical and Antidoping Agency) continues to provide capacity building trainings for its members in particular the various Team Managers that will travel to the Games as support personnel for Team Samoa.

SMADA is one of the Commissions under SASNOC mandate. The power week of training consisted of First Aid Training and Certification for the first three (3) days, followed by one (1) day of Antidoping Awareness session and culminated with Team Manager Refresher sessions.

Anti-Doping awareness session was based on the 11 ADRVs (Antidoping Rule Violations). The 11 ADRVs are also referred to as “Doping” as these are the 11 definitions of doping under WADA Code. Team Managers were able to discuss various scenarios and how they apply under the ADRVs.

Earlier in March this year, SASNOC held a Team Manager Course covering Design and Planning Phase, Implementation and Reporting Phase. These are relevant information for Team Managers to understand as they prepare their teams for Pacific Games and any other games. During the trainings, experienced Team Managers were able to share their experiences and how those experiences have shaped the way they manage their teams.

18 Team Managers from 12 sports have undergone all 3 trainings last week and will also receive First Aid Certification from Red Cross. SASNOC and SMADA will be facilitating more trainings before Team Samoa departs for Solomon Islands.

SASNOC would like to acknowledge the support of British High Commission office in Samoa and SMADA in their continuous support for building capacity for our National Federations and especially our Team Managers. Also acknowledging the support of our SMADA Chairperson Unasa Natanya Potoi as well as the SASNOC Team of Master Educators of Salā Stella Siale Vaea Tagitau, Fa’amausili Taiva Ah Young, Tuala Matthew Vaea and Sulā Tagifano So’onalole-Sam Chong for facilitating the Team Manager Refresher Course.

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Team Managers receiving First Aid Essential Emergency Care for First Aiders Manuals from Red Cross Facilitators



Eka Arp (Netball) and Johannes Uili (Athletics) presenting on finance tracking during competition.



Piuki Matautia (Hockey) and Mara Magele (Beach Volleyball) presenting on managing teams when unexpected invitations are received during competition.



Team Managers displaying Doping Control Process.



Sep Paulo from Va'a during CPR demonstration session



Fulu Maselina Nauer (Boxing) demonstrating giving compressions during CPR