

## Meath Emerging and High-Performance Athlete Support Program: Summary

This document sets out in summary how the Meath Emerging and High-Performance Athlete Support Program (EHPASP) operates. It is not intended to be exhaustive and if you have any specific queries you must consult the full document for the full details and procedures around the operation of the Program.

The Program will provide support to High-Performance and Emerging Talent athletes who meet the specific criteria set out in the full program document.

In general, the criteria are set to identify those athletes with realistic potential to achieve a European Championship qualifying standard.

In broad terms this will mean that athletes must be able to display a clear progression towards a recognized qualifying standard and be within reach of achieving that standard within the next two seasons.

Supports given will be by way of reimbursement of vouched expenses, up to whatever limit of support awarded, if any, and/or access to a network of sports performance and medical support professionals.

Applications, in the normal course, will be accepted up to the end of November each year, with the Deciding Panel meeting in December to consider each new application and applications for continued support.

For the current year, as the support scheme is rolled out, applications will be accepted up until the 30<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

Athletes must adhere to all anti-doping conditions (e.g. whereabouts, athlete filing, agreements) set by the ISC antidoping unit, IAAF, and Athletics Ireland.

Progress and performances of athletes will be monitored on a quarterly basis, and subject to these reviews, quarterly reimbursement payments may be authorized, authorized with conditions or withheld pending satisfaction of conditions.

Allocations of support will be made on a case by case basis, and there is no guarantee that the maximum amount available will be allocated.