

# Blood Testing

## (For MMA Contestants)

### WVAC POLICY #110916

By unanimous vote in an open meeting on November 9, 2016 the West Virginia Athletic Commission adopts the following policy:

*Effective January 1, 2017, all MMA Combatants are required to submit a report of the standard combative trio blood tests performed no more than 12 months prior to the date of the contest in which he or she is participating.*

This is in accordance with §177-2-53 Medical Testing Requirements of the State Code of West Virginia which states:

*53.1 A contestant shall submit evidence to the Commission that the contestant is free of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and proof of passing a Hepatitis Band a (sic) Hepatitis C virus test. The Commission will only accept laboratory results that are no older than twelve (12) months.*

*53.4 A contestant who fails may not participate in a match.*

This policy will remain in effect until rescinded or replaced.