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GCSE Physical Education

Component 1: Factors Underpinning Health and Performance – The Digestive System

Your attention is drawn to an error in the third learning outcome listed on page 16 of the GCSE PE Specification.

- Demonstrate understanding of the role of the following parts of the digestive system:
 - mouth: ingestion and digestion, mechanical (chewing) and chemical (saliva);
 - stomach: digestion, mechanical (stomach muscles) and chemical (acids, enzymes, hormones, ~~insulin~~ and bile);
 - small intestine: absorption and transfer of molecules to the blood; and
 - large intestine: absorption and excretion, absorbs sodium and excretes waste products;

Please note that insulin and bile have been removed.

Please make candidates aware of this amendment.

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