As the leading academic institution in sport safety and security, the National Center for Spectator Sports Safety and Security (NCS4) connects and informs professional leagues, marathons, intercollegiate athletics, interscholastic athletics (and after-school activities), along with professional associations, private sector firms, and government agencies. It is a critical resource for sport venue managers, event managers, first responders, and other key stakeholders.

About NCS4

- Established in 2006 from a grant initiative funded by the Mississippi Office of Homeland Security and Mississippi Emergency Agency
- Offers FEMA-approved Training Courses in Sport Event Risk Management, Sport & Special Events Incident Management, and Sport Event Evacuation Training/Exercise
- Established and developed current best practices for collegiate, interscholastic, professional sports, and marathon settings
- Trained over 5,000 security professionals across the nation
- Trained around 1,000 universities across the nation
- Holds an annual National Sport Safety and Security Conference to provide educational and networking opportunities for hundreds of professional and collegiate sport venue and event managers, first responders, etc.
- Offers certifications for both sport organizations and venue personnel responsible for sports safety and security
- Provides membership opportunities for corporations, universities, professionals, and students to engage and network with individuals in the sports safety and security industry
- Conducts worldwide research and analysis of sports incidents involving spectators through the NCS4 Institute for the Study of Sport Incidents
- Opportunities for security observation, technology tests and evaluations through the NCS4 National Sports Security Laboratory
- Supports a Master of Business degree with an emphasis in Sports Security Management and graduate certificate program and provides internships and other educational opportunities for students
- Recognizes industry leaders and venues who achieve outstanding best practices in sport safety and security
- NCS4 Board of Advisors consists of security and facility directors from each of the major professional sports leagues and federations