

Concussion signs and symptoms

On Field Assessment

Orientation Memory Concentration

- 1. At what venue are we today?
- 2. Which half is it now?
- 3. Who scored last in this match?
- 4. What did you play last week?
- 5. Did your team win the last game?

For Children age 5 to 12 at school

- 1. Where are we now?
- 2. Is it before or after lunch?
- 3. What did you have last class?
- 4. What is your teacher's name

Signs and symptoms

Symptoms a Player may report

- Nausea
- Dizziness
- Headache
- Fogginess
- Blurry Vision
- Light or noise sensitivity

As a parent/coach/player some potential signs to observe player if they take a hit

- Loses consciousness
- Confused or disorientated
- Off Balance
- Appeared dazed
- Vomiting
- Answers questions slowly
- Memory problems
- Personality changes

Red Flags that may require a doctor/hospital visit

- Slurred Speech
- Loss of consciousness more than 30 secs
- Seizures
- Weakness, numbness or tingling in arms/legs
- Headaches that are 10/10 and worsening
- Cant recognise people or places that are familiar
- Suspected Cervical/Neck injury

If a player has any of the above signs and a concussion is suspected they should be removed from play immediately and not return to field of play. Player should only return to play when cleared by a medical professional.