

# APPENDIX A: WPC CONCUSSION PATHWAY

**#1 - PRE-SEASON EDUCATION**

<b>WHO</b> 	Athletes, Parents, Coaches, Officials, Trainers, Teachers, Healthcare Professionals
<b>HOW</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pre-Season Education Sheet

**IMPACT TO THE HEAD, FACE, NECK OR BODY**

**HEAD INJURY SUSPECTED**

**#2 - HEAD INJURY RECOGNITION**

<b>WHO</b> 	Athletes, Parents, Coaches, Officials, Trainers, Teachers, Healthcare Professionals
<b>HOW</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Concussion Recognition Tool 6

**IS A MORE SERIOUS HEAD INJURY SUSPECTED?**  
YES NO

**REMOVE FROM PLAY**

**#3B - SIDELINE ASSESSMENT**

<b>WHO</b> 	Athletic Therapist, Physiotherapist OR Medical Doctor
<b>HOW</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SCAT6 OR Child SCAT6

**#3A - EMERGENCY MEDICAL ASSESSMENT**

<b>WHO</b> 	Emergency Medical Personnel
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**#4 - MEDICAL ASSESSMENT**

<b>WHO</b> 	Medical Doctor OR Nurse Practitioner
<b>HOW</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medical Assessment Letter

**IS A LICENSED HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL PRESENT?**  
NO YES

**IS A CONCUSSION SUSPECTED?**  
YES NO

**WAS A CONCUSSION DIAGNOSED?**  
NO YES

**RETURN TO SPORT**

**#5 - CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT**

<b>WHO</b> 	Medical Doctor, Nurse Practitioner, team licensed healthcare professional (if available)
<b>HOW</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Return-to-School Strategy and Sport-Specific Return-to-Sport Strategy

**#7 - RETURN TO SPORT MEDICAL CLEARANCE**

<b>WHO</b> 	Medical Doctor OR Nurse Practitioner
<b>HOW</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medical Clearance Letter

**DOES THE ATHLETE HAVE PERSISTENT SYMPTOMS\*\*?**  
NO YES

\*\* Persistent symptoms: Lasting longer than 4 weeks

**#6 - MULTIDISCIPLINARY CONCUSSION CARE**

<b>WHO</b> 	Multidisciplinary Medical Team, Medical Doctor with Clinical Training and Experience in Concussion AND Licensed Healthcare professionals
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**\*Note:** The WPC Concussion Pathway provides a complete overview of the concussion prevention, recognition and management process that is used by WPC. Follow the steps outlined in this graphic to help guide your decision making process when an athlete has a suspected concussion.