## **NSWRL - COMMUNITY HEAD INJURY FLOWCHART**





### **BEFORE GAMES COMMENCE**

1. NRL ON-FIELD POLICY REQUIREMENTS ARE MET



2. HEAD TRAINERS HAVE
SIGNED THE GAME SHEET



3. TRAINERS QUALIFICATIONS HAVE ALL BEEN CHECKED



GAMES CAN START

### **DURING GAME – SPORTS TRAINER**

1. HEAD INJURY IDENTIFIED



2. PLAYER REMOVED FROM FIELD



3. PLAYER NOT TO RETURN TO PLAY



PROVIDE

PATIENT CARE

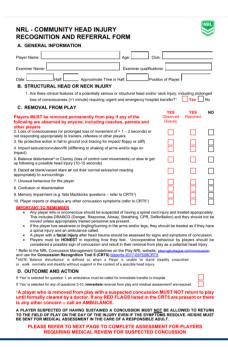


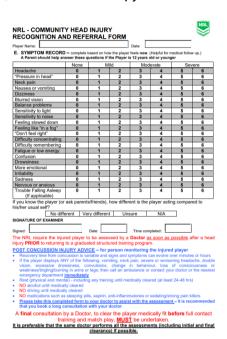
5. FORM REQUIRED

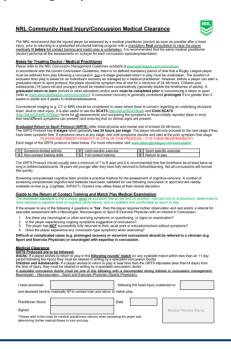
#### FORM TO BE COMPLETED AND GIVEN TO PATIENTS PARENT OR CARER

#### **COMMUNITY HEAD INJURY RECOGNITION AND REFERRAL FORM**

Pages 1 and 2 of this form should be completed by the Sports Trainer in charge of patient care and the participant / participants carer should be provided with all three pages of the form to present to their Doctor for examination (either with hard copy of forms or electronically through MySideline).







### **DURING GAME – GROUND MANAGER / TEAM STAFF / ADMINISTRATION**

I. FREE INTERCHNAGE
FOR PLAYER





GROUND MANAGER / TEAM

MANAGER TO RECORD HIA
ON SIGN ON SHEET



LEAGUE ADMINISTRATOR TO MARK PLAYER

3. UNAVAILABLE FOR SELECTION UNTIL CLEARANCE FORMS
ARE RETURNED

#### **PARENT / CARER**

PATIENT TAKEN TO DOCTOR / HOSPITAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH <u>HEAD INJURY RECOGNITION AND REFERRAL FORM</u> TO UNDERTAKE INITIAL HEAD INJURY ASSESSMENT

#### **PATIENT IS EITHER**

## CLEARED OF HEAD INJURY (BY DOCTOR)

- 1. MEDICAL CLEARANCE (PAGE 3 OF HEAD INJURY RECOGNITION AND REFERRAL FORM) RETURNED TO CLUB AND LEAGUE ADMINISTRATOR\*
- 2. PLAYER MARKED AVAILABLE FOR SELECTION BY LEAGUE ADMINISTRATOR AND CLEARED TO PLAY NEXT MATCH

# DIAGNOSED WITH HEAD INJURY (BY DOCTOR)

- 1. PLAYER TO FOLLOW GRADUATED RETURN TO PLAY PROGRAM (GRTP)
  - ONCE THE <u>GRTP</u> PERIOD HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED, PLAYER TO RETURN TO DOCTOR TO SEEK A MEDICAL CLEARANCE (PAGE 3 OF
- 2. HEAD INJURY RECOGNITION AND REFERRAL FORM). WHEN COMPLETED AND APPROVED, MEDICAL CLEARANCE FORM NEEDS TO BE RETURNED TO CLUB AND LEAGUE ADMINISTRATOR\*
- 3. PLAYER MARKED AVAILABLE FOR SELECTION BY LEAGUE ADMINISTRATOR AND CLEARED TO PLAY NEXT MATCH

<sup>\*</sup> Head Injury Recognition and Referral forms MUST be returned to the participants Club and League Administrator ASAP and during business hours.

Failure to do so may result in participants missing further matches.

<sup>\*</sup> Generic Medical Certificates will not be accepted as proof of Medical Clearance – player will only be marked available once Page 3 of the Head Injury Recognition and Referral Form is completed by a Doctor and returned to League Administrator.