CONCUSSION RECOGNITION

TEACHERS

CONCUSSION IS a traumatic brain injury which results from either a direct or indirect contact to the head or body and often results in short-lived changes in normal brain function.

& MANAGEMENT

COACHES

FAMILY

USING A TEAM APPROACH

PROVIDERS



SHOULD BE SUPERVISED BY A
QUALIFIED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER

(as defined by various state laws)

RECOVERY



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Recovery from concussion symptoms can last from one week to several months

'Patience' and 'following the concussion protocol' –as directed by the healthcare provider are important for good recovery

EARLY

and initiation of APPROPRIATE
TREATMENT

is critical to recovery.

SIGNS:

Appears dazed/stunned
Confusion about instructions
Forgets instruction/technique
Unsure of game/score/opponent
Moves clumsily
Answers questions slowly
Loses conciousness (even briefly)
Behavior/personality changes
Can't recall events prior/after hit or fall

SYMPTOMS:

Headache or "pressure" in head
Nausea or vomiting
Balance problems/dizziness
Double/blurry vision
Sensitivity to light/noise
Feeling sluggish/hazy/foggy/groggy
Concentration/memory problems
Confusion
Doesn't "feel right"