



AUS GUIDELINE

Concussion

2016

Concussion is a serious injury and may occur to any person at an AUS event. All head injuries in all instances should be treated by the relevant sports trainer on site who will then notify the team manager of the student. The trainer will also report any head injuries to their supervisor for further follow up.

All head injuries will be referred to a medial practitioner for further assessment and treatment management. This includes:

- Any athlete that has lost consciousness
- Any athlete that has suffered memory loss
- Any athlete who has been dazed or confused even if only for a short period of time

Any athlete who has suffered a head injury at an AUS event must leave the field of play immediately and not return until full clearance has been provided by a medial practitioner. This clearance is required to be provided in writing and submitted by the university team manager to competition management team at the sport. The sports trainer must also be made aware of this clearance to play. Without such clearance, the student will not be able to take the field of play area.

SPORTS MEDICINE AUSTRALIA POSITION STATEMENT

As supporters of AUS events, SMA has a full [position statement available from its website](#) in relation to concussion. AUS supports SMA initiatives in dealing with concussion and follows SMA practices at its events.

PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS

New guideline in 2016