## **CONCUSSIONS IN YOUTH SPORTS**

#### SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

#### SIGNS OBSERVED BY PARENTS OR GUARDIANS

### Look For Any of the Following Signs and Symptoms of a Concussion.

- · Appears dazed or stunned
- · Is confused about assignment or position
- Forgets sports plays
- · Is unsure of game, score, or opponent
- · Moves clumsily
- · Answers questions slowly
- · Loses consciousness (even briefly)
- · Shows behavior or personality changes
- · Can't recall events prior to hit or fall
- · Can't recall events after hit or fall

#### SYMPTOMS REPORTED BY ATHLETE

- · Headache or "pressure" in the head
- · Nausea or vomiting
- · Balance problems or dizziness
- · Double or blurry vision
- · Sensitivity to light
- Sensitivity to noise
- · Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy
- · Concentration or memory problems
- Confusion
- · Does not "feel right"

## WHAT SHOULD YOU DO IF YOU THINK YOUR CHILD HAS A CONCUSSION?

- Seek medical attention right away. A health care professional will be able to decide how serious the concussion is and when it is safe for your child to return to sports.
- Keep your child out of play. Concussions take time
  to heal. Don't let your child return to play until a
  health care professional says it's OK. Children who
  return to play too soon—while the brain is still
  healing—risk a greater chance of having a second
  concussion. Second or later concussions can be very
  serious. They can cause permanent brain damage,
  affecting your child for a lifetime.
- Tell your child's coach about any recent concussion. Coaches should know if your child had a recent concussion. Your child's coach may not know about a concussion your child received in another sport or activity unless you tell the coach.

# INJURY INFORMATION DATE OF INJURY: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

TIME OF INJURY: \_\_\_:\_\_\_ \_\_M

FIGHTERS NAME

**EVENT DOCTORS NAME** 

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