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Southern Stars 2025 - Consent Form

Concussion management

When a student enrolled in a government school is diagnosed with concussion, the principal must be advised in writing as soon as the diagnosis is confirmed. Students may only return to sport and physical activity once a medical clearance has been provided to the school and, if at a school sport event, to the supervising teacher.

Any student that experiences a suspected concussion during a school endorsed activity, will be removed from the activity and parents/carers will be advised that a medical follow-up is required.

If medical clearance is not provided, the student cannot participate in vigorous or competitive school sport or physical activities for 21 days from the concussion date.

Important information

In the event of injury, no accident or medical insurance cover is provided by the NSW Government Treasury Managed Fund for students participating in school sporting activities, physical education lessons or any other school endorsed activity, unless there is a breach of duty of care by department or school staff. The NSW Department of Education is insured to meet the financial impact of any legal liabilities arising from its activities. It does not provide, nor has it ever provided, accident or medical insurance for students enrolled in government schools.

Parents/Carers are advised to assess the level and extent of their child's involvement in the sport program offered by the school, school sport zone, region and state school sport Associations when deciding whether additional insurance cover is required prior to their child's involvement in the program. Personal accident insurance cover is available through normal retail outlets. Parents/Carers who have private ambulance cover need to check whether that cover extends to interstate travel and make additional arrangements, as considered appropriate.

The NSW Supplementary Sporting Injury Benefits Scheme, funded by the NSW Government, provides limited cover for serious injury resulting in the permanent loss of a prescribed faculty or the loss of use of certain prescribed parts of the body. The Supplementary Scheme does not cover medical costs or dental costs. Further information can be obtained from <https://www.icare.nsw.gov.au/injured-or-ill-people/sporting-injuries/payments/#gref>.

Parent/Carer Acknowledgment and Consent

- I can confirm that I understand that, in the event of injury, no personal injury insurance cover is provided by the NSW Department of Education for students in relation to school sporting activities, physical education lessons or any other school activity. (Personal injury statement)
- I acknowledge that if my child/ward sustains a concussion, or experiences any concussion symptoms, in the 14-day period prior to the event commencing, I am required to report this to team officials. I further acknowledge that, should this occur, my child/ward will only be permitted to participate in the event, if a medical clearance is provided. (Concussion statement)

Ambulance / medical treatment

- I affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, my child/ward has no medical condition or injury that places him/her at risk by participating in this sport activity.
- In the event of any accident or illness, I authorise the obtaining, on my behalf, of an ambulance and any such medical assistance that my child/ward may require. I accept full responsibility for expenses incurred.

