CONCUSSION

Ensure Safety for Self and Others

Call the Ambulance on Triple Zero (000)

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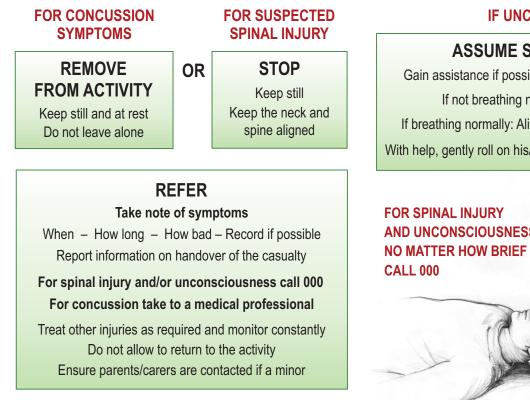
Incoherent

speech

For an incident/accident where concussion is suspected - Stop all activity around the casualty - Follow the 3Rs

RECOGNISE - REMOVE OR STOP - REFER

RECOGNISE - DRSABCD - Do not allow to move until clear of spinal injury - Did they lose consciousness at any time? Assess for response and breathing - Assess for concussion - Assess for spinal injury

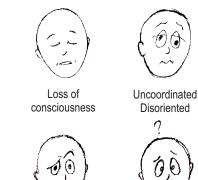


IF UNCONSCIOUS

ASSUME SPINAL INJURY

Gain assistance if possible - Assess airway/breathing If not breathing normally: Provide CPR If breathing normally: Align and immobilise spine/neck With help, gently roll on his/her side - Ensure airway is clear

AND UNCONSCIOUSNESS.



Signs – visible clues:



Not aware of events Confused

Memory loss Dazed or stunned Vacant stare

Symptoms – what the casualty feels:





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Dizziness. Headache or "pressure" in the head

Sensitivity to light Cannot and/or noise concentrate







Ringing in the ears

Tired (fatigued)

Sick/Nauseous Vomiting

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