UWA Emergency Action Plan

Football/Soccer Emergency Procedures (Tiger Stadium)

- 1. When a football player is injured on the playing field the head athletic trainer, assistant athletic trainer, or director of sports medicine, and the student athletic trainer on primary field watch go to the athlete to evaluate the problem. If the athlete is unconscious when they arrive the closest person to the head of the athlete should hold cervical stabilization, while one of the other athletic trainers performs a primary survey. On the sidelines, the athletic trainer with secondary injury management should be able to see one of the attending athletic trainers and watch for the signals for the emergency equipment. The signals for the c-collar and spine board are as follows: for the c-collar both hands clasped around the neck and for the spine board take both hands with thumbs extended and point to the spine with them. Also, the athletic trainers should take the face mask removal tool out of the white trunk when they get the c-collar, to cut off the face mask, if necessary.
- 2. If the one of the staff athletic trainers believe the injury to be life threatening or a serious head injury then they should send for the emergency equipment and the team physician. One of the athletic trainers should then proceed to the ambulance and direct them in to the scene (or go into Homer Field House or use cellular phone and enact the EMS from one of the phones if the ambulance happens to not be on the scene).
- 3. While that is going on, the athletic trainer with emergency transportation should get the insurance and emergency information from the field kit to take with them on the ambulance. The team physician should be with the injured athlete by this time and should be doing a diagnostic examination. Another athletic trainer will get the state vehicle and follow the ambulance to the health care facility and report by phone any outcome to the senior staff athletic trainers. Make sure all equipment is gathered and returned when you return form the health care facility.

Location of all phones

Phones for emergency actions are available for the following sports at the following locations in the event that an onsite cellular phone is not accessible:

- 1. If a cellular phone is available it can be used at any location on campus to enact the EMS by dialing 911
- 2. **Tiger Football/Soccer stadium:** access to a phone is located within James P. Homer field house on either the first or second floors: in the taping room (#116), equipment room (#113), secretary's office (#221), and the athletic training facility (#216).

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