

## **UWA Emergency Action Plan**

### **Rodeo Emergency Procedure (UWA Rodeo Complex)**

1. When an injury occurs, both athletic trainers should go in to the arena to evaluate the injured athlete (**make sure the scene is safe to enter; animals**). If the injury is life threatening one of the athletic trainers should go to the phone located in the coach's trailer or Rodeo Barn (or onsite cellular phone) and activate the local EMS service and inform them of the emergency. Also, call the head athletic trainer or one of the senior staff athletic trainers and tell them of the injury. He/she should then report back to the attending athletic trainer.
2. While the non-attending athletic trainer is enacting the EMS system the attending athletic trainer should do a primary survey and check the level of consciousness, if possible, or in the case of a head or spinal injury hold c-spine and wait. After the non-attending athletic trainer enacts the EMS system and has reported to the attending athletic trainer, he/she should help the attending athletic trainer do a primary survey and/or a secondary survey on the athlete. When that is complete, one of the athletic trainers should go and make sure that the ambulance has easy access to the arena and that all necessary gates are open via the established EMS route.
3. The attending athletic trainer must be aware that the athlete could go into shock at any time after an injury, so it is very important that the athletic trainer be able to recognize the early signs of shock and be able to manage it. The athlete should not be moved unless absolutely necessary.
4. When the ambulance arrives at the field and the EMT's approach the athlete, the attending athletic trainer should give them all of the information gathered such as, the mechanism of injury, vital signs, time of injury, and progressing level of consciousness. When the ambulance is preparing to leave one of the attending athletic trainers should have a copy of the athlete's insurance and brief medical outline and leave with the athlete to go to the hospital.

### **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. **Don C. Hines Rodeo Complex:** Phone access is located in the barn office, which the first door to the right past the main entrance to the barn. Additionally, there is a phone located within the rodeo coach's trailer.

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