AACPS SUSPECTED HEAD INJURY PROCEDURAL FLOWCHART

School Day

School nurse treats student-athlete.

Nurse notifies parents, athletic director (AD), and certified athletic trainer (ATC).

Nurse sends notification and medical clearance forms to parents. Nurse contracts parents via phone, text, or email.

After School

Coach/ATC suspects head injury and removes student-athlete from competition/practice.

ATC evaluates student-athlete according to AACPS procedures.

ATC contacts parent/guardian verbally and written with the notification and medical clearance forms.

Coach/ATC notifies AD, AD notifies

Student-athlete is evaluated by a License Health Care Provider (LHCP) for concussion diagnosis.

Student-athlete returns Medical Clearance for Suspected Head Injury form to school nurse, ATC, and AD.

Yes-Concussion

School nurse immediately notifies all appropriate school personnel.

Nurse & guidance prepare academic accommodations (when appropriate).

Student-athlete appears symptom-free and baseline tested (if appropriate).

Student-athlete has a follow-up and is reevaluated by an LHCP.

Medical clearance to begin Gradual Return (RTP) to Play is disseminated to all appropriate personnel.

ATC and/or coach implements the Gradual RTP Program.

No-Concussion

LHCP clears student-athlete for immediate return to play.

ATC evaluates student-athlete before resuming

ATC observes no symptoms

Cleared

ATC informs coach/AD and the student-athlete returns to normal activity.

ATC observes signs and symptoms

Not Cleared

ATC notifies coach, parent and studentathlete concerning signs & symptoms observed.

Student-athlete must be re-evaluated by a LHCP.