

# Barrow Brainbook: Concussion Advocacy in Action

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- NFL Unaffiliated Neurotrauma Consultant
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# Advocacy in Action

- Identify a problem
- Propose a solution
- Design a plan to execute your solution
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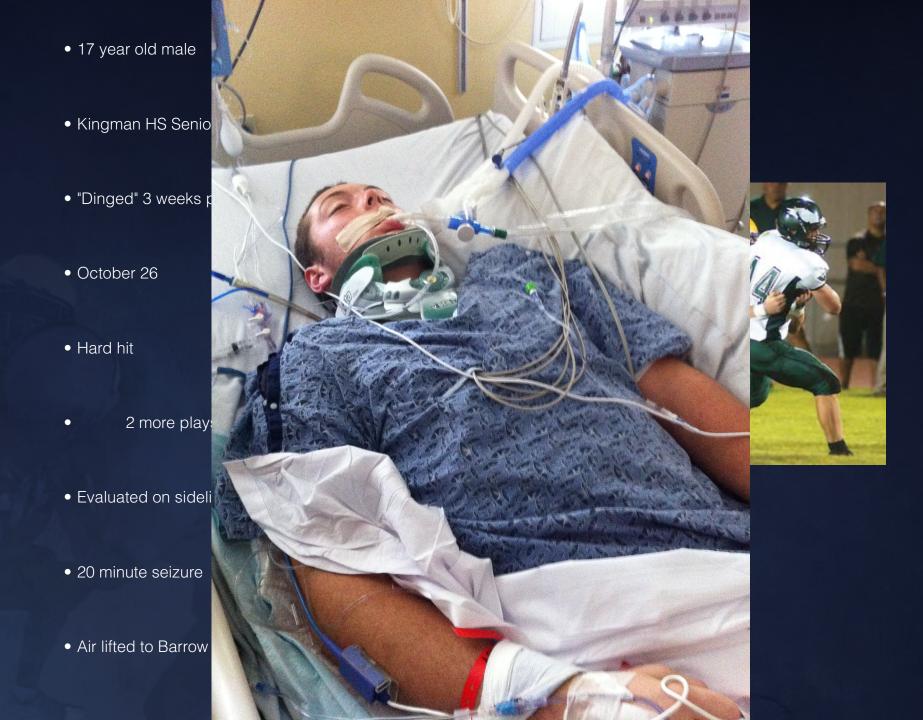






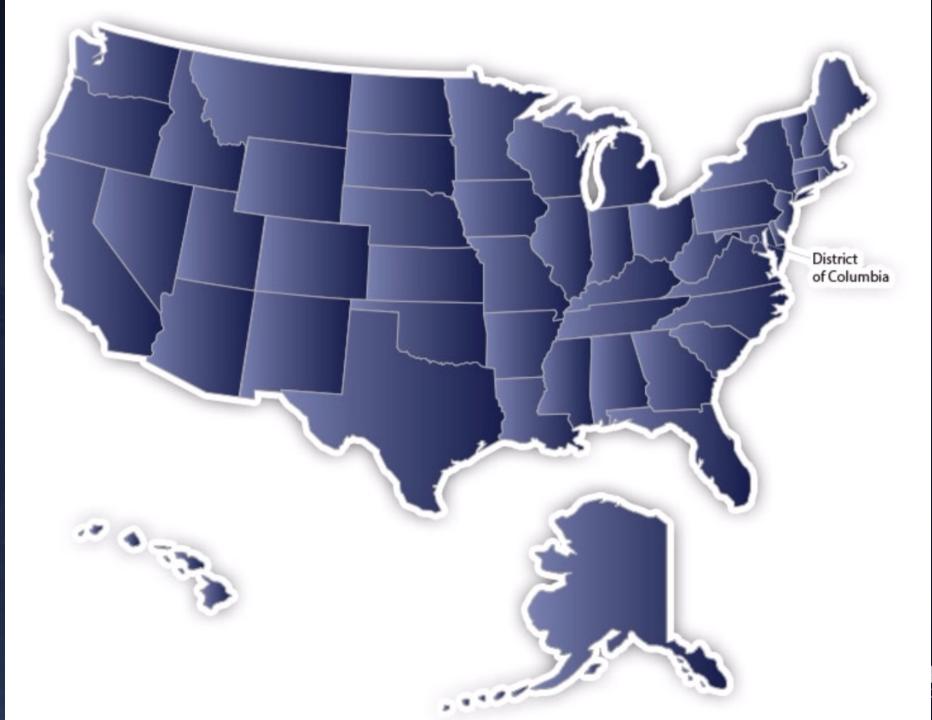














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Identify a problem - concussion in high school athletes
Propose a solution - education





## **Education Partners**



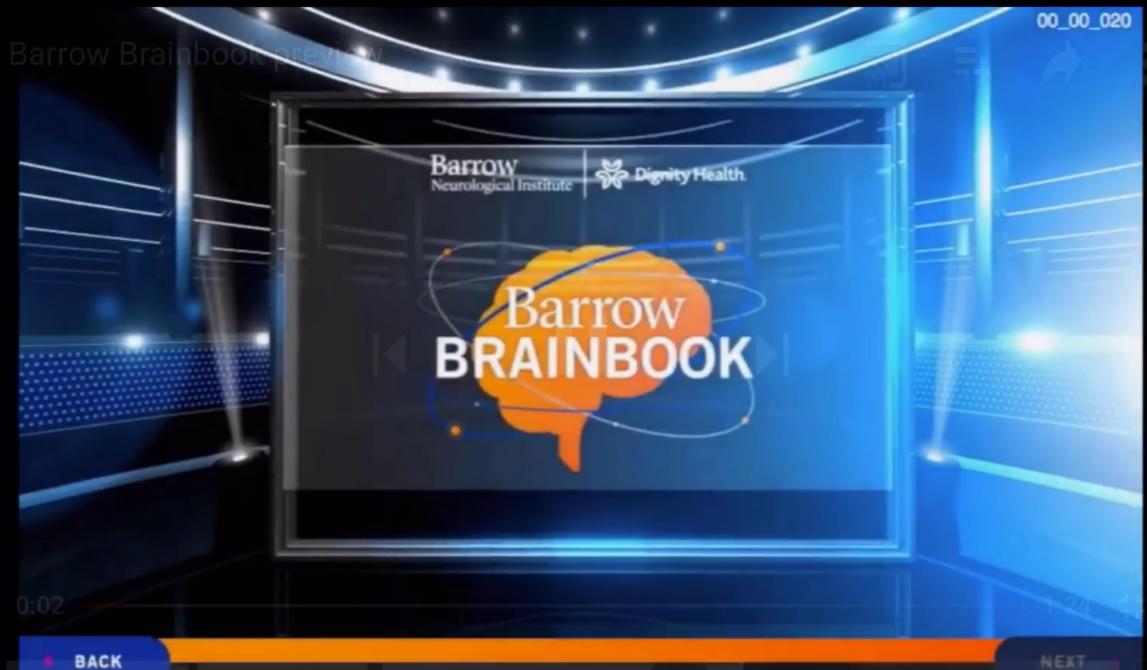
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# BARROW CONCUSSION NETWORK





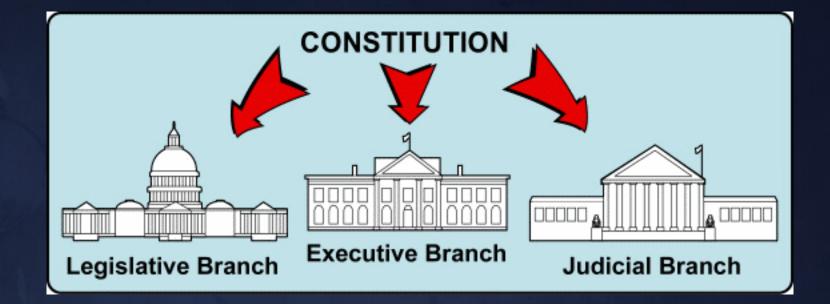


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- Design a plan to execute your solution

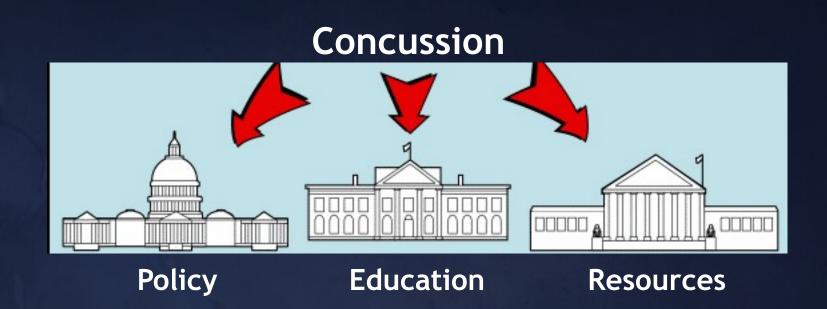


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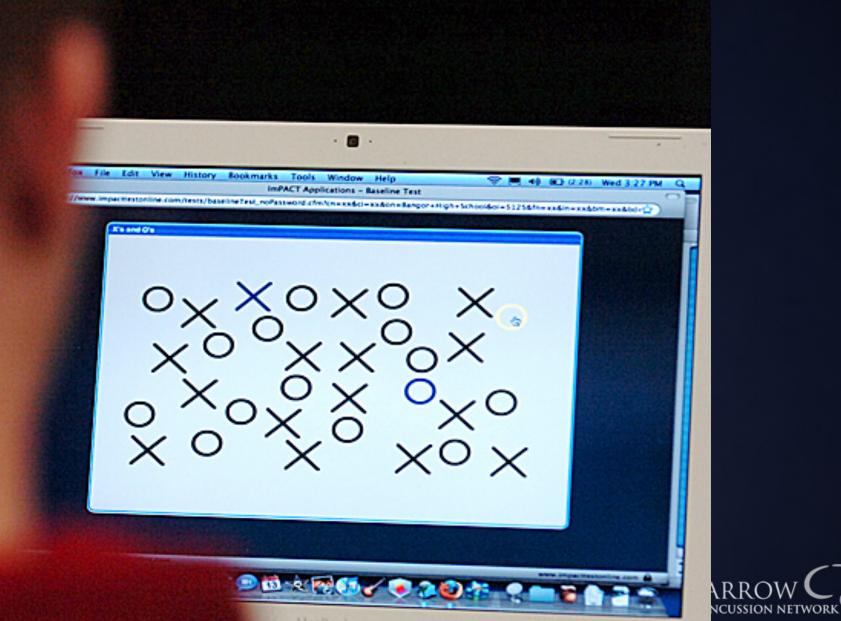




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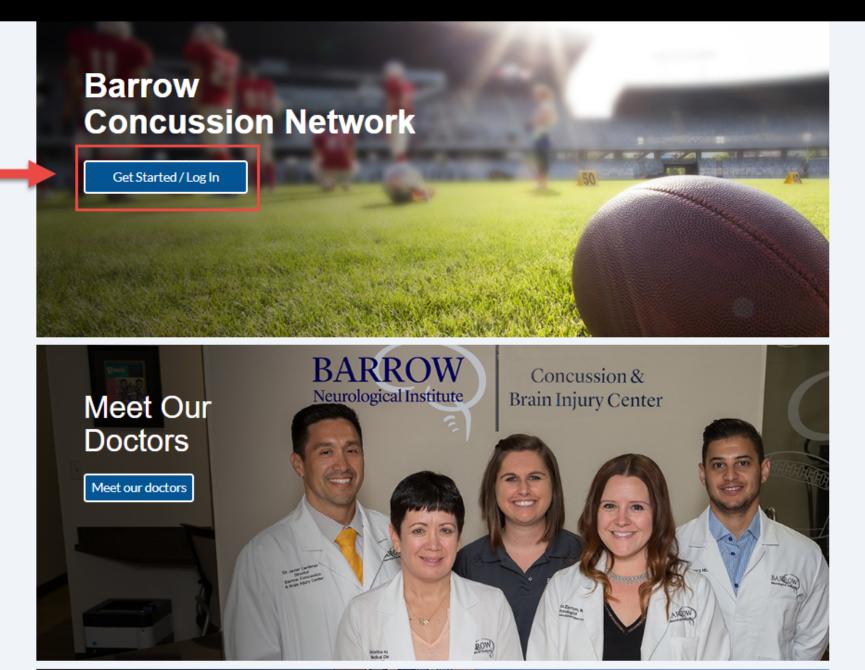






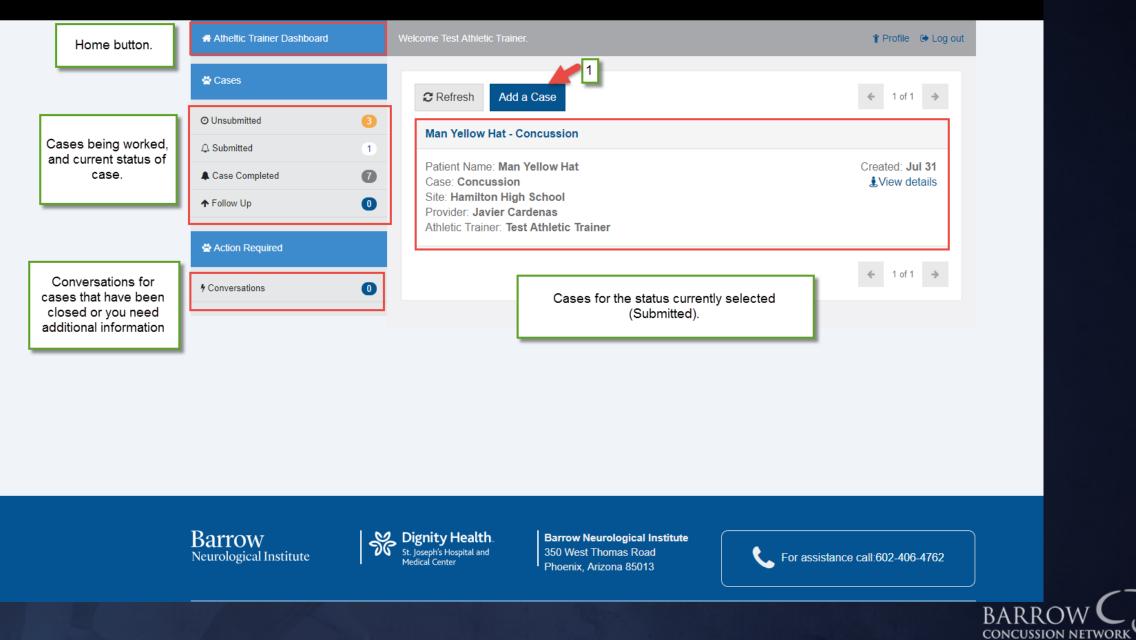


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Please specify a date for this injury.	
2018-08-02	
Please specify the mechanism for how this injury occurred.	
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Please describe the injury and athlete's current state.	
14 y/o female basketball player was hit in the head by a passed c/o moderate sx at time of injury, stated had head ache/nausea instructed to observe sx over the weekend. 1/22/18 pt reports c counseling secretary, teachers, parents, coach aware of injury. I Seen 2/1/18 cleared for participation with dx of post-traumatic h	due to menstrual cycle. Parent notified, ontinued sx; began protocol. Counselor, Pt continued to report sx; referred to PCP.
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Was the patient oriented at the time of injury?	
⊛ Yes © No	
Did the patient suffer any loss of consciousness?	
© Yes ⊕ No	
Does patient have any balance or motor incoordination	
◎ Yes ® No	
Does the patient have any loss of memory?	
® Yes <sup>©</sup> No	
Provide any previous history of concussions.	
No previous history.	
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Have they returned to classroom?	
⊛ Yes ◎ No	
Completed RTP?	
<ul> <li>Light Aerobic Exercise</li> <li>Sport-specific exercise</li> <li>Non-co</li> </ul>	ntact training $^{\odot}$ Full practice $^{\odot}$ None

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### ImPACT<sup>®</sup> Clinical Report

Exam Type	Baseline		Post-Inju	ry 1	Post-Inju	ry 2	Post-Inju	ry 4		
Date Tested	09/12/2	013	09/27/2	013	09/30/2	013	11/20/2	013		
Last Concussion	06/14/2	800	09/25/2	013	09/25/2	013	09/18/2	013		
Exam Language	English		English		English		English			
Test Version	2.1		2.1		2.1		2.1			
Composite Scores Percentile scores if available are listed in small type.										
Memory composite (verbal)	78	22%	55	<1%	68	4%	81	32%		
Memory composite (visual)	91	9396	47	496	53	1.296	63	21%		
Visual motor speed composite	36.23	3196	29.73	2%	30.88	7%	41.13	55%		
Reaction time composite	0.48	92%	0.72	596	0.65	1.2%	0.51	80%	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Impulse control composite	13		23		13		13			
Total Symptom Score	1		49		52		0			
Cognitive Efficiency Index:	0.43		0.26		0.32		0.3			

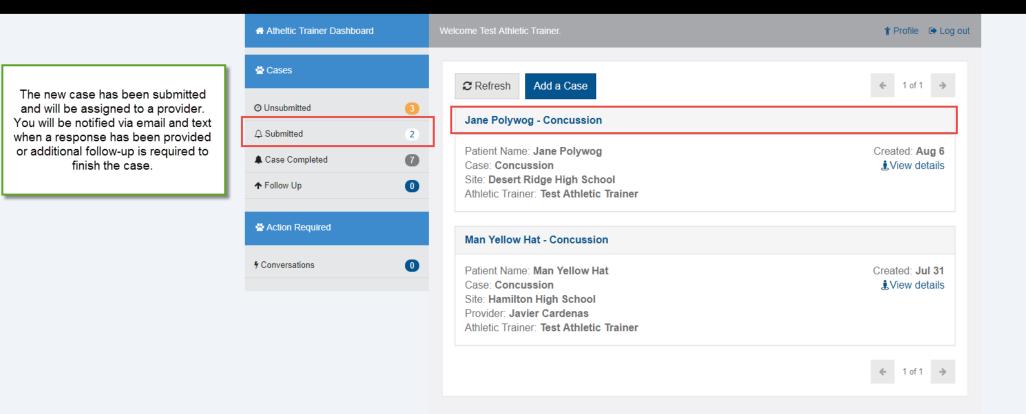
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The Cognitive efficiency Index measures the interaction between accuracy (percentage correct) and speed (reaction time) in seconds on the Symbol Match test. This score was not developed to make return to play decisions but can be helpful in determining the extent to which the athlete tried to work very fast on symbol match (decreasing accuracy) or attempted to improve their accuracy by taking a more deliberate and slow approach (jeopardizing speed). The range of scores is from approximately zero to approximately .70 with a mean of .34. A higher score indicates that the athlete did well in both the speed and memory domains on the symbol match test. A low score (below .20) means that they performed poorly on both the speed and accuracy component. If this score

Scores in **bold RED** type exceed the Reliable Change Index (RCI) when compared to the baseline score. However, scores that do not exceed to RCI index may still be clinically significant. Percentile scores if available are listed in small type.



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#### Barrow Concussion Network

Patient Name : Jane Polywog Patient Gender : F Patient Date of Birth : 1/1/1997 Athletic Trainer : Test Athletic Trainer

Concussion Opinion, completed by: Javier Cardenas

#### Dear Jane,

Thank you for contacting the Barrow Concussion Network. I have had an opportunity to review your case.

#### Return to Play : Return to Play - Full practice Return to School : Return to school without accomodations Diagnosis : Concussion

**Summary**: Young female with mild traumatic brain injury as the result of a sport related concussion on 1/19/2018. She is currently asymptomatic at rest and with activity and is performing well in school. Eye hand coordination is within normal limits per evaluator. She is Computerized cognitive testing (ImPACT) performed on 2/7/2018 demonstrates performance that is at baseline when compared to 11/07/2017 with the exception of reaction time, which is slightly slower. Recommendation: Continue return to play without restrictions. May participate in all sports, including track and field activities.

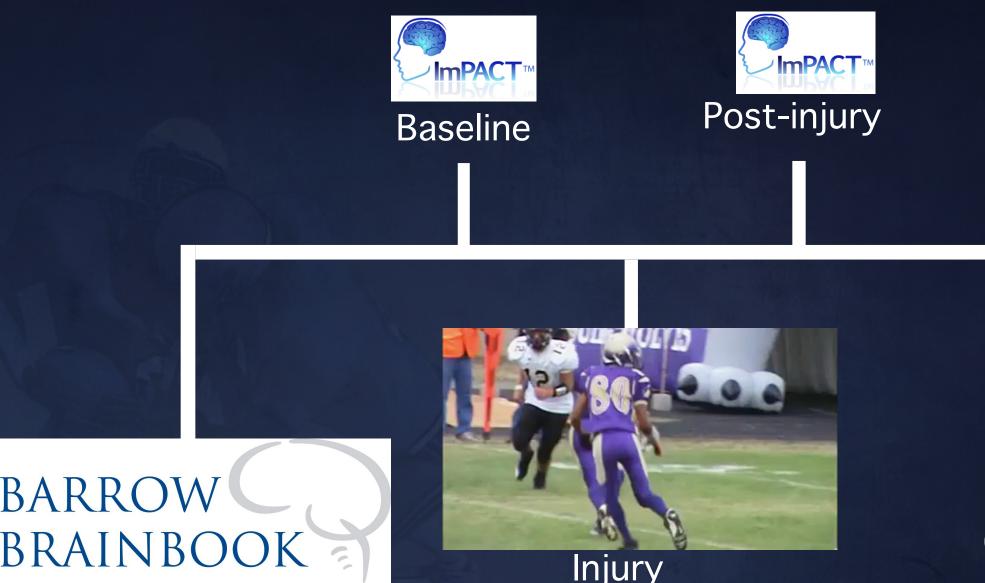
Thank you for your interest in the Barrow Concussion Network. We look forward to assisting you in the future. Sincerely



Once an opinion is provided select the opinion from "Provided Opinions" and it will open for review.



Barrow Concussion Network Timeline

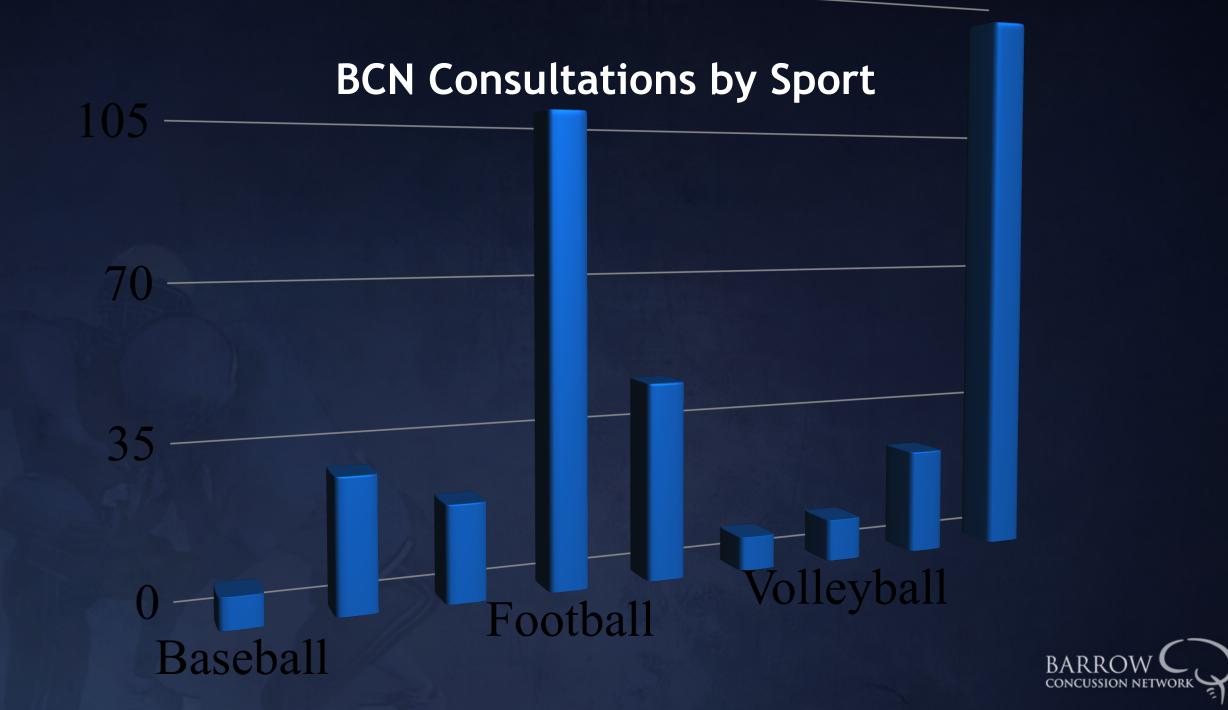


Barrow Concussion Consultation Design: • 2013-2016 Concussion Education Licenses for computerized cognitive testing and computerized balance testing Software based telemedicine Offered to all Arizona high school athletic trainers

Methods:

 Retrospective analysis of 352 unique concussion consultations.





### Barrow Concussion Network 2013-2016

- Total unique consultations: 352
  - Baseball 7
  - Basketball 30
  - Cheerleading 22
  - Football 108
  - Soccer 46
  - Volleyball 10
  - Wrestling 25
  - Unknown 133

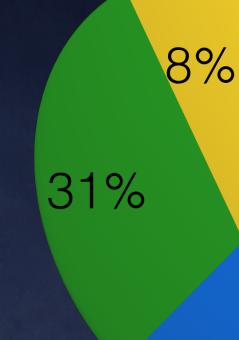
• Average response time 23 minutes





### **BCN Consultations by Gender**

- Gender
  - Male 218
  - Female 112
  - Undefined 22



MaleFemaleUndefined



61%

# **BCN Consultations Recommendations** Recommendation • Rest 29 Return to Play 269 Rest • Refer to Clinic 30 Refer Undefined 29



## Cost Savings?

- Educational prevention of injury?
- ImPACT Baseline testing (\$10)
  - \$1,447,770
- ImPACT Post -injury testing (\$25)
  - \$575,225
- Concussion clinic visit (\$350)
  - RTP (n=269)
  - \$94,150
- Total savings
  - \$2,117,145

BaselinePost-injuryClinic

28% 70%



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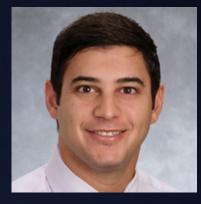
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#### Senate Engrossed

State of Arizona Senate Fiftieth Legislature First Regular Session 2011

## **SENATE BILL 1521**

#### AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-341, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARDS.



## Arizona SB 1521

- "Guidelines, information and forms...to inform and educate coaches, pupils and parents about the dangers of concussion..."
- "Before a pupil participates in an athletic activity, the pupil and the pupil's parent must sign an information form at least once a school year..."
- "A pupil who is suspected of sustaining a concussion...be immediately removed..."
- "A pupil may return to play on the same day if a qualified health care provider rules out a concussion."



## Arizona SB 1521

- "On a subsequent day, the pupil may return to play if the pupil has been evaluated by and has received written clearance ... from a qualified health care provider..."
- "A qualified health care provider includes:"
- MD, DO
   PA, NP
   ATc



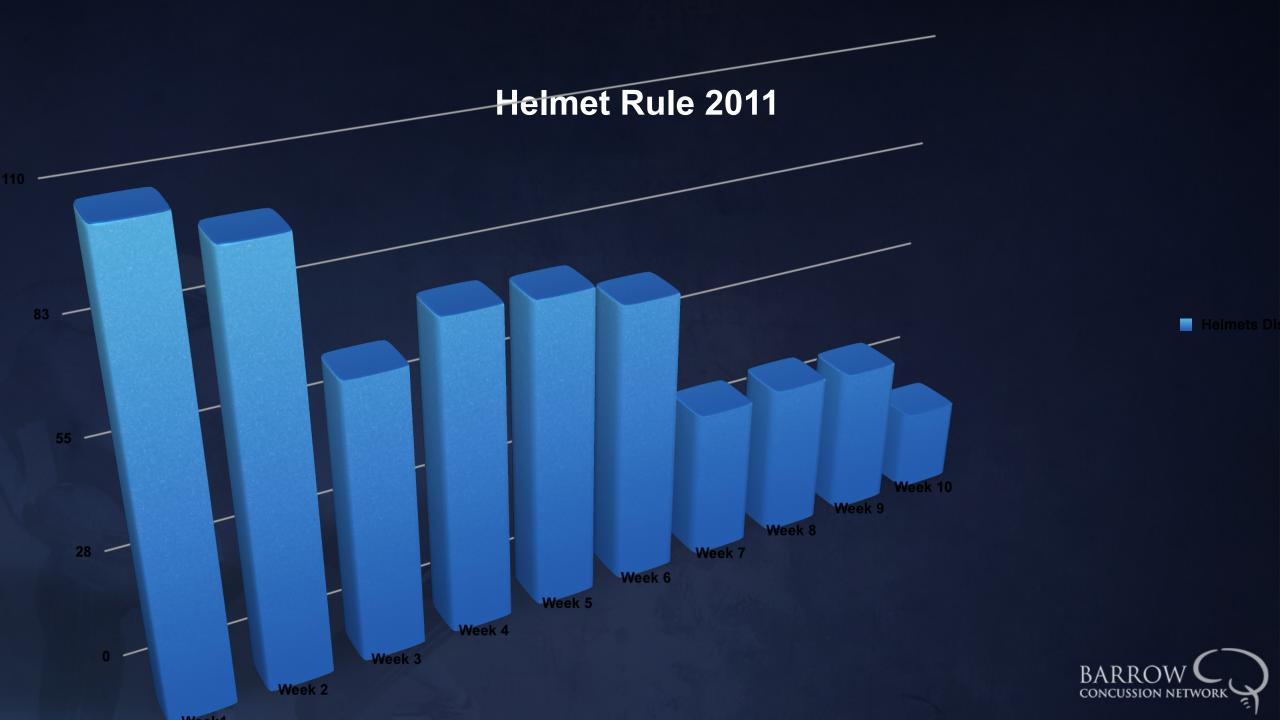


## Helmet Rule 2011

- FOOTBALL HELMET RULE AIA SMAC
- "If IN THE COURSE OF PLAY, the football helmet becomes dislodged FROM THE PLAYER'S HEAD, the helmet must be IMMEDIATELY inspected for quality and fit by a coach, equipment manager or athletic trainer, during which TIME the player is required to sit out for at least one play. If THE TEAM DOES NOT WANT THE PLAYER TO SIT OUT THEN, then the team must take a time out. IF THE AFFECTED TEAM HAS NO REMAINING TIME OUTS, THE PLAYER MUST SIT OUT FOR AT LEAST ONE PLAY."









### High School Football Players Must Sit Out One Play When Helmet Comes Off FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Bob Colgate

INDIANAPOLIS, IN (February 9, 2012) — High school football players must sit out one play next year if their helmet comes off while the ball is live.

In cases where the helmet comes completely off without it being directly attributable to a foul by the opponent, the player will have to leave the game for at least one down.



#### Rule 3-3-9

### Helmet Comes Off—Timeout (New Article)

ARTICLE 9.

a. If during the down a player's helmet comes completely off, other than as the direct result of a foul by an opponent, the player must leave the game for the next down. The game clock will stop at the end of the down.



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#### NEWS RELEASE

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### Definition of Contact

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The Concussion Summit was the latest effort by the NFHS to minimize risk for the almost 7.8 million student participants in high school sports. In 2008, the SMAC advocated that a concussed athlete must be removed from play and not allowed to play on the same day. For the past five years, all NFHS rules publications have contained guidelines for the management of a student exhibiting signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion. In 2010, the NFHS developed on online course – "Concussion in Sports – What You Need to Know" – and about 1.7 million individuals have taken the course through the NFHS Coach Education Program at www.nfhslearn.com.

The "Recommendations and Guidelines for Minimizing Head Impact Exposure and Concussion Risk in Football" position paper is posted on the NFHS website at <u>www.nfhs.org</u>.

#### About the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS)

The NFHS, based in Indianapolis, Indiana, is the national leadership organization for high school sports and performing arts activities. Since 1920, the NFHS has led the development of education-based interscholastic sports and performing arts activities that help students succeed in their lives. The NFHS sets direction for the future by building awareness and support, improving the participation experience, establishing consistent standards and rules for competition, and helping those who oversee high school sports and activities. The NFHS writes playing rules for 16 sports for boys and girls at the high school level. Through its 50 member state associations and the District of Columbia, the NFHS reaches more than 19,000 high schools and 11 million participants in high school activity programs, including more than 7.7 million in high school sports. As the recognized national authority on interscholastic activity programs, the NFHS conducts national meetings; sanctions interstate events; offers online publications and services for high school coaches and officials; sponsors professional organizations for high school coaches, officials, speech and debate coaches, and music adjudicators; serves as the national source for interscholastic coach training; and serves as a national information resource of interscholastic athletics and activities. For more information, visit the NFHS website at <u>www.nfhs.org</u>.

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## Arizona Interscholastic Association

2016 Blindside Block Experiment



## **Experimental Rule**

Definition: A blindside block is any forceful block, outside the free blocking zone, against a defenseless player who does not have a reasonable opportunity to see the blocker approach.

Foul: No player or nonplayer shall...

n. Deliver a blindside block to an opponent unless initiated with open hands.









## New football rule changes should spell end to pop-up onside kicks, dangerous blindside blocks





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#### **Concussion Insurance Program Guide**

Coverage Period: July 1st, 2016 – July 1st 2017

\$25,000 per injury medical maximum

Accidental Death & Dismemberment \$5,000

• Policy #: JXS0000027561300

• Deductible: \$0 per claim

sponsored by the AIA

How to file a claim:

Fax: (260) 459-5915

Ft. Wayne, IN 46804

you can provide upfront, the better. Claims

allowing us to pay you providers quickly

Please submit the completed and signed claim

form along with itemized bills and EOB's from the

primary insurance carrier. The more information

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Phone: (800) 237-2917

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Headstrong Concussion Insurance Policy Information

Arizona Interscholastic Association, Inc.

Broker: Dissinger Reed Third Party Administrator (TPA): K&K Insurance

Insurance Carrier: Nationwide Life Insurance Company – AM Best Rated A+XV

Covered Activities: Participating in practice or play of sports governed and/or

Eligible Person: All athletes participating in a Covered Activity

• 1-year benefit period (Benefits will be payable for 1 year from the injury date)

Accidental Death and Dismemberment Aggregate \$250,000

The AIA has secured Headstrong **Concussion Insurance beginning** with the 2016-2017 school year.

The HeadStrong Concussion Insurance Program was specifically developed to insure student athletes from the high cost of concussion treatment and neurological follow up that may be required after a suspected concussion.

For \$1.50 per student athlete, the individual has 'first dollar' coverage (zero deductible) for concussion assessment and treatment.

Coverage is secondary/excess to any other valid and collectable insurance but will become the primary payor, if no other insurance is available.

Program Highlights Include:

- \$0 deductible and no Co-pays
- -Telemed Services, when needed
- No restrictions on specific doctors
- No referrals needed for treatment -
- -No internal limits
- No specific procedure maximums -
- Neurological follow up care -When medically necessary and billed at U&C.
- HOW TO SUBMIT A CLAIM UNDER THE CONCUSSION PROGRAM 1) Submit the incident report within 365 days of the injury.

2) Make certain that the incident report is completed in its entirety, including the policy number (JXS0000027561300), with accurate and detailed injury information and how the accident happened.

3) The incident report MUST BE SIGNED by a representative of the school. INCIDENT REPORTS WHICH ARE NOT SIGNED, WILL DELAY THE CLAIM.

4) Physician billings on CMS1500 forms and hospital/facility billings on UB04 forms would be preferred as these forms contain all the necessary coding required to process a claim. See bullets #5 & 6 for additional instruction regarding bills.

5) If the injured participant has primary insurance, each bill should be submitted with the primary insurance Explanation of Benefits or denial.

6) If the injured participant has primary insurance, all providers should be informed of the primary insurance information so they are billed first, and the K&K information for the concussion program insurance billed second.

7) When the injured participant does not have primary insurance, we have agreements through PPO networks that allow many bills to be reduced with contractual discounts. We encourage injured participants NOT to pay claims in advance of submitting them to us, so these discounts can be used.







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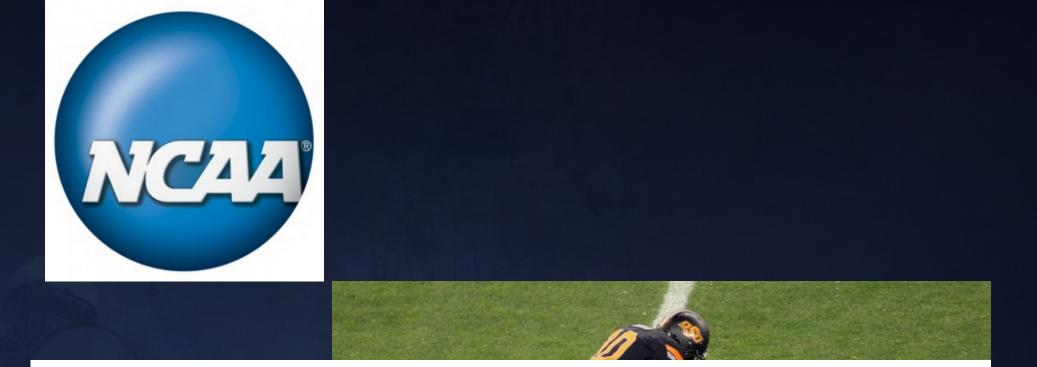
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REPORT **Arizona Interscholastic Association** Concussion Coverage

**K&K INCIDENT** 

	(PLEASE PRINT)		AIA
NATURE	BODILY INJURY     OTHER:		
TIME & PLACE OF INCIDENT	DATE:TIME: EVENT NAME: EVENT TYPE:CONDUCTED BY: LOCATION:	□ AM	D PM
HAPPENED TO	NAME:		
FUNCTION	AS: C ATHLETE		
APPARENT INJURY OR DAMAGE	BODY PART:		
OCCASION	WHAT WAS THE SITUATION AND EXACT LOCATION AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT?		
INCIDENT Description	DESCRIBE WHAT HAPPENED:		
OTHER SCHOOL INSURANCE	DOES THE SCHOOL PROVIDE ANY OTHER ACCIDENT MEDICAL COVERAGE FOR THE STUDENTS? IF YES, PLEASE PROVIDE THE NAME OF THE COMPANY:	□ Yes	s 🗅 No
INSURED	NAME OF INSURED:         POLICY#:           CLUB NAME:         PHONE:_()           CITY:         STATE:		
INSURED REPRESENTATIVE	MHSAA Member School Administrator     OTHER: NAME:PHONE: () TITLE:ORGANIZATION: SIGNATURE:DATE: DATE:		

COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS AND FAX OR MAIL IMMEDIATELY TO: K&K INSURANCE GROUP, INC., P.O. BOX 2338, FORT WAYNE, IN 46801-2338 THIS FORM MUST INCLUDE THE INSURED NAME, POLICY NUMBER, AND SIGNATURE OF THE INSURED/REPRESENTATIVE BEFORE RETURNING OR PROCESSING MAY BE DELAYED



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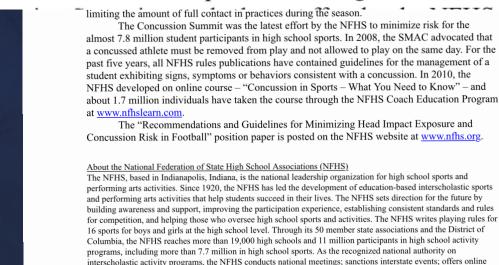
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## **Soccer Rule**

**25.2.5 Contact Rule/ Heading Training** - Definition of Contact Rule/Heading Training – Specific activities wherein the student-athlete(s) actively heads the ball consistently as a manner of technical training. Contact/Heading during the course of simulated match activities does not constitute specific heading training. (i.e. heading a ball from a cross, heading a punted ball during a simulated game, etc.)

**<u>Pre-Season</u>** – During the pre-season, no more than 15 minutes of practice time each day with no more than two training sessions each week may include specific heading activities.

**<u>Regular Season/Post-Season</u>** – During the regular season and post-season, no more than 15 minutes of practice time each day and no more than 2 practices each week may include specific heading activities.

25.2.5.1 For all pre-season, regular season and post-season practices, specific heading activities shall not be conducted on consecutive days. (Emergency Legislation 9/10/14)



Free Barrow Concussion Network and ImPACT Training Program Saturday, August 6, 2016 | 9 a.m. - Noon

### Agenda

9 – 10 a.m.

## The Barrow Concussion Network

Javier Cárdenas, MD

Objectives:

- Access the Barrow Concussion Network (BCN)
- Log a case in the concussion research registry
- Submit a case for consultation.
- 10 10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:15 11 a.m. **ImPACT Baseline Evaluations** Tamara McLeod, PhD, ATC *Objectives:* 
  - Administer baseline ImPACT evaluations
  - Interpret baseline ImPACT evaluations
- 11 a.m.- 12 p.m. Sideline Concussion Assessment Glynnis Zieman, MD *Objective:* 
  - Demonstrate effective communication of a sideline concussion evaluation



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## **AZ Numbers**

- Barrow Brainbook 320,875
- Barrow Brainball 9008 downloads
- Impact
  - Baseline 121,762
  - Post injury 23,009
- Sway users 142
- Consultations 352







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