District of Columbia Interscholastic Athletic Association Sports Medicine



# Charles Hart Middle School Athletics Emergency Action Plan

## **Important Contacts**

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# Introduction

In the event that an emergency situation should arise during an Hart Middle School athletic event, including practices and competitions, the following guidelines should be followed in order to provide the best care to the patients with emergency and/or life-threatening conditions. Implementation of an emergency plan will ensure the best care is provided for emergencies.

# **Emergency Personnel:**

- •Valentin Porter- Athletic Trainer
- •Team Physician, Terry Thompson, MD (Howard University Hospital)
- •Medical Resident Physicians (Howard University Hospital Medical Residents)
- •Athletic Training Students (George Mason University)
- •EMS

# **Roles within the Emergency Team:**

Immediate care of the athlete Emergency equipment retrieval Access for EMS to the scene (opening gates, disarming panic doors) Activation of the Emergency Medical System Direction of EMS to the scene

# Activating the EMS System:

## Making the call:

9-1-1 if available Telephone numbers for local police, fire department, and ambulance service

## **Providing Information:**

- Charles Hart Middle School– 601-Mississippi Ave, SE, Washington DC
- Telephone number of the caller
- Number of athletes injured
- Condition of the athlete (breathing, not breathing, pulse, no pulse, bleeding, conscious, unconscious)
- 1st aid treatment initiated by the 1st responder (blood control, rescue breathing, CPR, etc)
- Specific directions as needed to locate the emergency scene
- Other information as requested by dispatcher
- Someone will be in place to meet the ambulance and direct them to the injured athlete

#### <u>Transportation to the Emergency</u> <u>Room:</u>

- If the athlete is transported, EMS should provide which hospital the athlete is going to in order to provide accurate information to the parent or guardian.
- If EMS is activated the parent or guardian of the injured athlete must be contacted. If the patient is transported, a coach or school staff MUST accompany the patient to the hospital along with the emergency treatment form.

# Injuries on the Football Field (if applicable)

EMS should be directed to the 2nd Street side of Ballou Senior High School. Ballou Senior High School 3401 4th Street, SE Access to the gates on the field: o 2nd street parking lot with security at the gate

## **Injuries in the Gymnasium**

Provide specific instructions to access the gymnasium here. Provide specific instructions on disabling alarms or unlocking gates here. Direct EMS to the front entrance of the school and then guide to: Charles Hart Middle School 601 Mississippi Avenue, SE

#### **Injury Management**

- The attending ATC will assess the injury and provide necessary initial injury management.
- Follow instruction of the emergency action plan devised specifically for that school (If out of town a supplemental Emergency Action Plan will be provided)
- If EMS is activated, the athlete should not be taken to the emergency room alone.
- A parent, coach or other school staff member should accompany the athlete, if EMS transportation is required.
- The ATC, coach, or the accompanying school staff member should notify the athlete's parent or guardian if he/she is transported to the Emergency Room.
- An injury report will be completed by the ATC upon return to the school.

# **Lightning Safety**

All coaches and athletes will use the following guidelines in the event of lightning. If you see lightning or hear thunder all individuals are to leave the athletic site and seek safe shelter. Play is not to be resumed until 30 minutes after the last lightning or thunder occurrence. Safe sites include inside cars, vans, buses, or nearby buildings. Shelter should not be taken in the baseball or softball dugouts.

# **General Information**

On Field Emergency Protocol:

- Players and coaches should go to and remain in the bench area once medical assistance arrives adequate lines of vision between the medical staffs and all available emergency personnel should be established and maintained
- Players, parents and non-authorized

personnel should be kept a significant distance away from the seriously injured athlete or athletes

- Players or non-medical personnel should not touch, move or roll an injured player
- Players should not try to assist a teammate who is lying on the field (i.e., removing the helmet or chin strap, or attempting to assist breathing)
- Players should not pull an injured teammate or opponent from a pile-up
- Once the medical staff begins to work on an injured player, they should be allowed to perform services without interruption or interference
- Players and coaches should avoid dictating medical services to the athletic trainers or team physicians.

## **Emergency/Crisis Event**

In the event of an emergency/crisis, the Athletic trainer/On-site school personnel will direct the athletes, coaches, officials to the designated safe secure location.

