

BURLINGTON GIRLS HOCKEY CLUB Medical Assessment / Medical Clearance Letter

Following an observed injury to the head on ______ (date),

(name of athlete) was noted to have at least 1 sign or symptom of concussion, as identified through the use of the Concussion Recognition Tool 5 (CRT5). As advised in the CRT5, the athlete was removed from play and now **requires a medical evaluation prior to returning to sport**. Athlete must not return to sport if she has any signs or symptoms of a concussion. Returning to sport is a gradual process and the athlete must follow physician's instructions prior to returning to practices / games. <u>Parents please send completed form to equipsafety@bghc.ca promptly following the medical assessment.</u>

<u>A. Medical Assessment Following Suspected Concussion</u> - Clearance will only accepted from a <u>Medical</u> <u>Doctor</u> or <u>Nurse Practitioner</u>, in accordance with the Canadian Guideline on Concussion in Sport.

□ No concussion – Athlete may return to school and sport without restrictions

Physician/Nurse Practitioner Name (print):			\square MD \square NP
Signature:	_ Phone #:	Date:	
Additional Instructions:			

Concussion – No activity, complete rest for initial 24-48 hours, then proceed to Step 1 until symptom-free

Physician/Nurse Practitioner Name (print):			🗆 MD	□ NP
Signature:	Phone #:	Date:		
Additional Instructions:				

Once athlete is **completely symptom-free**, she must follow the 6-step Return to Play Guidelines as published by the 2017 Concussion in Sport Group (CISG) consensus statement, including obtaining **medical clearance** prior to initiating Step 5, as outlined below. <u>NOTE</u>: Each step must take a <u>minimum</u> of 24 hours; if any symptoms come back at any step, athlete must **STOP** the activity immediately, rest at least 24 hours, resume activity at the previous step.

 Step 1: Daily activities that do not cause or worsen symptoms

 Symptom-free for 24 hours?

 Yes: Proceed to Step 2

 No: Remain at Step 1

 Step 2: Light aerobic exercise, such as walking or stationary cycling

 Symptom-free for 24 hours?

 Yes: Proceed to Step 3

 No: Return to Step 2

<u>Step 3</u>: Sport-specific activities (e.g. running; skating drills with a teammate); no resistance training; NO CONTACT. <u>Symptom-free for 24 hours?</u>

Yes: Proceed to Step 4

No: Return to Step 2

<u>Step 4</u>: Full on-ice practice such as passing drills, shooting drills (except for goalies) and other activities with NO CONTACT (i.e. no scrimmage); may start progressive resistance training.

Symptom-free for 24 hours? Yes: Proceed to Step 5 No: Return to Step 3

B. Medical Clearance Following Diagnosed Concussion - Clearance by Medical Doctor or Nurse

<u>Practitioner</u> is required <u>prior to Step 5 – on-ice practice with contact</u>; no other source will be accepted, in accordance with the Canadian Guideline on Concussion in Sport.

\Box Athlete is medically cleared to return to full contact play

 Physician/Nurse Practitioner Name (print):

 MD NP

 Signature:
 Date:
 Date:

Additional Instructions: _____