

#### SAFETY REQUIRES TEAMWORK AN EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN FOR INJURED HOCKEY OFFICIALS



The coach, manager and safety person should initiate a meeting at the beginning of the season to disuss the EAP for their team. As part of this discussion the Safety Person should be made aware that if an Official is hurt during a game they should respond to that person. The common

practice would be for the	e home team safety person to respond first.
Equipment Locations	Arena Information

Please locate and identify area on map:	<b>Legend</b> Phone P Exits E First aid FA AED AED	Arena/Facility Name: Address: Telephone Number:
		Emergency Telephone Numbers
		Emergency:
	_	Ambulance:
		Fire Dept:
		Hospital:
	$\mathcal{I}$	Police:
		General:

### Safety Person / Charge Person

- Initially takes control of the situation.
- Instructs official to lay still & bystanders, such as other officials, not to move official.
- Do not move the official.
- Assess injury status of official, decide if an ambulance/medical care is required.
- If the injury is serious and warrants immediate attention that you are not qualified to provide, make your predetermined signal to your call person, control person and your pre-determined first aid/medical person.

# Roles

### **Call Person**

- Makes call when emergency assistance required (tests their cell phone in the facility to ensure it will work).
- Know location of alternate phones in the facility being played in. Have change or a phone card if necessary.
- Ideally at all games and practices and not involved on the bench.
- Has a list of emergency phone numbers in the area of the facility.
- Has a diagram displaying specific directions and best route to the arena facility.

### **Control Person**

- Pre-determine the location of the AED and other emergency equipment in the facility.
- Retrieving the AED and/or first aid kit and bringing to the injured official if requested.
- Seek highly-trained medical personnel in the facility if requested by the Charge Person.
- Ensure teams, other participants and spectators are not in the way of the charge person.
- Advise teams, other on-ice officials, arena staff and parents of the steps being taken.
- Ensure the quickest and best route for the ambulance crew to the ice surface is clear and accessible.
- Meet the ambulance on its arrival and direct EMS to the injured official.

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

A game official continues to assume the role of being in charge of the overall environment.

It is important for officials to note that if the safety person makes the signal for assistance that there may be a number of pre-determined people who will respond and will require access to the ice.

Once the ambulance is called, the officials should send both teams to their dressing rooms.

See flow chart on reverse



