

NOTICE TO INDUSTRY HRNSW CONCUSSION PROTOCOLS & PROCEDURES

01 FEBRUARY 2024

Following consultation with HRNSW's preferred paramedic providers State Medical Assistance (SMA) and Harness Racing NSW's Medical Advisory Panel, the HRNSW Concussion Protocols and Procedure have been developed in relation to Drivers (including Stablehands) and Trainers.

Following approval by the Board of HRNSW the protocols and procedure have now been implemented and include the roles/responsibilities of HRNSW, Harness Racing Clubs and licensed participants.

The HRNSW Concussion Protocols & Procedure can be found [here](#)

A Head Injury Assessment Tool has also been developed in consultation with (SMA) and Harness Racing NSW's Medical Advisory Panel for the purposes of assessing the clinical signs of concussion following a Driver or Trainer head trauma.

The Head Injury Assessment Tool can be found [here](#)

It should be noted that Drivers and Trainers are required to report any driving related concussions/suspected concussions, and any non-driving related concussion or head trauma injuries to the Harness Racing NSW Stewards within 24 hours of the suspected concussion or head trauma. This includes any concussion/suspected concussion or head trauma received in trackwork at any public or private training facility.

If anyone requires further information please contact HRNSW Education and Welfare Manager Maurice Logue or the HRNSW Integrity Department on (02) 9722 6600.

For further information on this matter contact:
HRNSW Integrity Department
(02) 9722 6655