

# SoCal Youth Rugby Emergency Action Plan

## Valley Center Middle School

Name of Venue:	Valley Center Middle School
Address of Venue:	28102 N Lake Wohlford Rd, Valley Center, CA 92082
Cross Streets:	Valley Center Road
Directions for EMS Access to the Field:	From Valley Center Rd, enter field through emergency vehicle driveway next to field, at blacktop/ basketball courts. Fields are visible, soccer field is on the left and football field on the right.
Rugby Club Submitting this EAP:	Valley Center RFU
Other Rugby Clubs that Host Matches at this Venue:	Jags Rugby Valley Center RFU
Program Director/Primary Contact:	Laura Ginella
Program Director/Primary Contact Phone Number:	760-473-9479
Does this site have its own security?	No
If yes, Security Phone Number:	N/A
Is there an AED on site?	No
If yes, Location of AED/AEDs and procedure to access (ie keys need, campus contact number):	N/A
Location of medical kit during events:	Registration table.
Location of athlete's emergency contact info:	Registration table in binders.
Lightning Safe Structure: This should be a fully enclosed grounded building that participants and spectators can be evacuated to. If a structure of this sort is not available enclosed metal vehicles can be used as an alternative	Games will be cancelled in case of lightning, spectators will be directed to exit to their vehicles.
Hospital 1:	Palomar Hospital
Address of Hospital 1:	2185 Citricado Parkway
Phone Number Hospital 1	442-281-5000
Hospital 2:	
Address Hospital 2:	
Hospital 2 Phone Number:	
Nearest Kaiser Hospital:	Kaiser Permanente Zion Hospital
Address Kaiser Hospital:	4647 Zion Ave, San Diego
Phone Number Kaiser Hospital:	619-528-5000
Urgent Care:	Graybill Urgent Care
Address Urgent Care:	225 E 2nd Ave, Escondido
Urgent Care Phone Number:	760-291-6777
Urgent Care Hours of Operation:	9 am - 8 pm
EAP updated:	2/3/2023

Emergency situations may arise at any time during athletic events and training. Expedient action must be taken in order to provide the best possible care to the athlete, coach, or other individual. The development and implementation of an emergency action plan will help ensure that the best care will be provided.

As emergencies may occur at any time and during any activity, clubs should be prepared at all times. Frequent review of the emergency action plan, maintenance of appropriate emergency equipment and supplies, Coach and AT education, preparticipation physical screenings, safe practice and training techniques, and adequate medical coverage can help both in the response to and mitigation of emergency situations.

Coaches and staff should be CPR, First Aid, and AED certified and should be up to date on their concussion, sudden cardiac arrest and heat illness training.

#### Role of the First Responder

1. Establish scene safety
2. Immediate care of injured/ill individual (ATC if available)
  - a. Check circulation, airway, breathing, level of consciousness, and for severe bleeding
3. Determine the need to activate Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
4. Designate an individual to contact Emergency Medical Services (if you are alone contact EMS yourself)
  - a. Dial 911 from a landline or cellular device
  - b. If EMS is on site seek them
5. Retrieve emergency equipment
  - a. Designate an individual to retrieve the AED (if available) and medical bag
6. Direct EMS to the scene
  - a. Designate an individual to meet EMS at the entrance of the venue
7. Crowd control
  - a. Designate individuals as needed to control spectators and participants and make way for EMS
  - b. If security is onsite contact them to help with crowd control or other needs
8. A parent, guardian, assistant coach, or other familiar adult must go with the injured/ill individual if they are transported to the emergency department
9. Notify parents or guardians if they are not on site
10. Document
  - a. Document all injuries and illnesses that occur
11. Notify Club Director, Head Coach, and Player Welfare Program Manager

#### Speaking with Dispatch

- Identify yourself (Name and Title)
- State the need for an ambulance
- Identify the type of injury/illness and the treatment that is being given
- Give location and phone number (address and cross streets)
- Give specific directions to the location of the patient
- Answer all questions and follow the dispatcher's instructions
- HANG UP LAST (only after the dispatcher has hung up)

Activate Emergency Action Plan for:

- Any loss of consciousness
- Possible spine injury
- Dislocation, open fracture, closed displaced fracture
- Difficulting breathing
- Absence of breathing or pulse
- If you are uncertain if you have a medical emergency and there is not more advanced care on site

Documentation

- Injury or illness of a SCYR athlete or referee must be documented and reported to the Player Welfare Program Manager, Christine Mitchell, at [christine@socalyouth.rugby](mailto:christine@socalyouth.rugby)
- Injury or illness of a parent, coach, or spectator should be documented and reported to the Club Program Director

Suspected Concussion or Head Injury

Any athlete suspected of sustaining a concussion or head injury must be immediately removed from participation and may not return to play until cleared. An athlete may not participate unless they have been cleared by a physician (MD or DO working within their scope of practice) and in accordance with the SCYR Concussion policy by the Player Welfare Program Manager and are on the Match Report.

Any Loss of Consciousness

All athletes who experience any type of loss of consciousness must be immediately removed from participation and may not return to play until cleared. The athlete must be cleared by a licensed healthcare provider (MD, DO, NP, PA) and in accordance with the SCYR Sudden Cardiac Arrest and Heat Illness Policies prior to returning to play.

Lightning Policy and Response

- Designate a person to monitor threatening weather and notify the head coaches and officials
- Monitor local weather reports
- Know where the closest "lightning safe structure" is and have a plan to evacuate participants and spectators.
- If you hear a clap of thunder or see a flash of lightning, stop play and evacuate to a lightning safe structure.
- If you are using a lightning tracker, stop play and evacuate to a lightning safe structure when lightning is within 10 miles of the field.
- Stay in a lightning safe structure for 30 minutes after the last visible flash of lightning or heard clap of thunder or until all lightning strikes have been outside of a 10 mile radius for 30 minutes.

Reminders

\*Home team is to provide injury ice\*

\*Each team should have a med kit on site\*

\*EAP should be posted on site during any practice or match\*

\*All coaches and team admin should be familiar with the EAP prior to any practice or match\*