

THE TEAM BEHIND THE TEAM

30 GAME DAY MEDICAL STAFF

ON AVERAGE, EACH TEAM HAS:



4 ATHLETIC TRAINERS

Assess and treat player injuries in conjunction with team doctors



2 PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS

Evaluate players for general medical conditions and concussions



2 ORTHOPEDISTS

Evaluate and treat players for injuries to the bones and joints



1 UNAFFILIATED NEUROTRAUMA CONSULTANT

Evaluates players for possible head injuries and concussions



1 CHIROPRACTOR

Provides back/spinal adjustments for players and treats muscular injuries

STADIUM MEDICAL TEAM:



2 INDEPENDENT ATHLETIC TRAINERS

Notify on-field medical staff of possible injuries from press box. The independent AT spotters can call a medical timeout to stop the game to have a player receive medical attention



1 EMERGENCY RESPONSE PHYSICIAN

Emergency physicians who routinely engage in critical care resuscitations and advanced evaluation of trauma patients. Also direct and coordinate transportation for players to local trauma centers and other specialty hospitals as necessary



1 AIRWAY MANAGEMENT PHYSICIAN

Physicians who are specialists in advanced airway management for emergencies that may necessitate stabilization of breathing. Also will collaborate with the ERP in any critical player emergency scenario



1 RADIOLOGY TECHNICIAN

Takes x-rays of injured players at the stadium



2 EMTS/PARAMEDIC CREW

Work in conjunction with team physicians, athletic trainers, AMP and ERP in the stabilization and transport of players to the hospital as designated in the Emergency Action Plan



1 UNAFFILIATED NEUROTRAUMA CONSULTANT

Monitors broadcast video/audio and notifies on-field UNCs of possible head, neck or spine injuries



1 DENTIST

Treats dental issues



1 OPHTHALMOLOGIST

Treats eye injuries

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Information provided by the National Football League Physicians Society (NFLPS). Numbers reflect the average number of medical staff present and should not be considered official NFL protocol.

