



BRAIN INJURY IN SPORTS

Features of Concussion Frequently Observed:

1.	VACANT STARE Befuddled facial expression
2.	DELAYED VERBAL AND MOTOR RESPONSES Slow to answer questions or follow instructions
3.	CONFUSION AND INABILITY TO FOCUS ATTENTION Easily distracted and unable to follow through with normal activities
4.	DISORIENTATION Walking in the wrong direction; unaware of time, date and place
5.	SLURRED OR INCOHERENT SPEECH Making disjointed or incomprehensible statements
6.	GROSS OBSERVABLE INCOORDINATION Stumbling, inability to walk tandem/straight lines
7.	EMOTIONS OUT OF PROPORTION TO CIRCUMSTANCES Distraught, crying for no apparent reason
8.	MEMORY DEFECTS Repeatedly asking the same question, inability to memorize and recall 3 of 3 words or objects in 5 minutes
9.	ANY PERIOD OF LOSS OF CONSCIOUSNESS Paralytic coma or unresponsive to arousal

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