



ACSEP Concussion Statement

The Australasian College of Sport and Exercise Physicians (ACSEP) notes with disappointment the recent developments in the media regarding AFL club medical staff and concussion management.

The College would like to reaffirm our support for our Sport and Exercise Physicians who provide important specialist care in complex, high-pressure environments. Our Physicians and Registrar Physicians apply rigorous clinical standards, prioritising athlete health, safety and informed care at all times.

It is critical that our Sport and Exercise Physicians are able to exercise clinical independence and are supported by robust governance frameworks and clear protocols that facilitate best-practice care. Commitment to these principles is fundamental in attracting and retaining skilled Sport and Exercise Physicians, and in maintaining safe, timely care in elite and high-performance sport settings.

ACSEP remains committed to working collaboratively with sporting organisations, medical partners and the government to continue advancing concussion research and policy, strengthen systems and protocols, and support continuous improvement of athlete care across all levels of sport.

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