

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 VISITING TEAM MEDICAL LIAISON

Local emergency physician certified to practice medicine in the state where the game is being played. The VTML works with the team to provide access to care, medication and first-rate medical facilities



1 AIRWAY MANAGEMENT PHYSICIAN

Provides emergency intubation to severely injured, non-breathing players



1 RADIOLOGY TECHNICIAN

Takes x-rays of injured players at the stadium



2 EMTS/PARAMEDIC CREW

Transport players to hospital in the event of serious injuries



1 UNAFFILIATED NEUROTRAUMA CONSULTANT

Monitors broadcast video/audio and notifies on-field UNC's 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.

