



Blue Card Doctors Information

Starting 3rd July 2017, the Waikato Rugby Club competitions introduced the Blue Card Protocols. This will continue throughout 2018 with Referees been recently upskilled on identify suspected concussion.

The following doctors & their respective clinics are the three places a Blue Carded player must visit throughout the Graduated Return to Play process.

Dr Graham Currie – Victoria Clinic

Dr Graham Currie is Waikato Rugby's match day Doctor for all home Mitre10 Cup fixtures, he also is the official Doctor of the Chiefs Development team and attends all Chiefs home fixtures as the official match day Doctor.

Graham has advised his colleagues at Victoria Clinic and are available to assist with any player who is Blue Carded for the remainder of the 2017 club season.

Victoria Clinic. 750 Victoria Street. PO Box 1279, Hamilton.

Phone: 07 834 0333

Fax: 07 834 0314

Open 8am – 8pm 7 Days

Dr Gordon Tam – Redicare

Dr Gordon Tam is another of Waikato Rugby's match day Doctors for all home Mitre10 Cup fixtures and All Blacks Test matches hosted in Hamilton.

Gordon and his colleagues at Redicare have being educated about the Blue Card Initiative and are available to assist with any player who is Blue Carded for the remainder of the 2017 club season.

Redicare Clinic. Cnr Rostrevor & Tristram Streets. PO Box 9350, Hamilton.

Phone: 07 838 0300

Fax: 07 839 0995

Open Hours:

8.30am – 5pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

8.30am – 7pm Tuesday





Closed Saturday & Sunday

Dr John Bonning

Dr John Bonning is another of Waikato Rugby's match day Doctors for all home Mitre10 Cup fixtures and All Blacks Test matches hosted in Hamilton. Based at Waikato Hospitals Emergency Department John is available if a Blue Carded player is taken to hospital due to another injury and is able to be seen by John.

Waikato Hospital Emergency Department
Selwyn Street & Pembroke Street, Hamilton
Phone: 07 839 8889

Anglesea Medical Clinic
Gate 1 Cnr Thackeray & Anglesea Street, Hamilton

Doctors at the Anglesea Medical Clinic will be available for the first initial visit that a player must make within the first 24 hours. However, that player will then be directed onto Graham Currie or Gordon Tam for their follow up appointments and will get medical clearance from Graham or Gordon.

Players are required to visit one of the three above doctors within the first 24 hours of sustaining a knock to the head.

The player will then follow that initial consultation with another visit a week after.

The third visit will be when the player sees the doctor to have their Medical Clearance form signed and returned to the WRU 24 hours prior to kick off of their return game.

We are sure you and your club will join the Waikato Rugby Union in fully supporting this very important player welfare initiative.

I am happy to field any questions regarding this initiative or direct you to the appropriate Waikato Rugby Union staff member assigned to oversee this initiative.

Kind Regards

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Waikato Rugby Union

