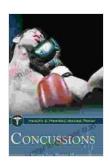
# **Concussions: Health And Medical Issues Today**

Concussions are a serious public health concern. Each year, millions of people in the United States suffer a concussion, and many of them experience long-term health problems as a result. This book provides a comprehensive overview of the latest research on concussions, including diagnosis, treatment, and prevention.



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The book is divided into three parts. Part 1 provides an overview of the basics of concussions, including what they are, how they are caused, and the symptoms they can cause. Part 2 discusses the diagnosis and treatment of concussions, including the different types of tests that can be used to diagnose a concussion and the different treatments that are available.

Part 3 of the book focuses on the prevention of concussions. This section covers a variety of topics, including the importance of wearing a helmet

when playing sports, the proper way to head a soccer ball, and the dangers of texting while driving. The book also includes a chapter on the long-term effects of concussions, including the risk of developing chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE).

This book is an essential resource for anyone who wants to understand the risks of concussion and the best ways to protect themselves and their loved ones. It is written in a clear and concise style, making it accessible to readers of all levels of education. The book is also up-to-date with the latest research on concussions, making it an authoritative source of information.

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#### **Part 1: Basics of Concussions**

Concussions are a type of traumatic brain injury (TBI) that is caused by a blow to the head. Concussions can range in severity from mild to severe, and they can cause a variety of symptoms, including:

- Headache
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Dizziness

- Balance problems
- Vision problems
- Hearing problems
- Memory problems
- Concentration problems
- Fatigue
- Irritability
- Sadness
- Anxiety

Concussions can be caused by a variety of activities, including:

- Sports
- Falls
- Car accidents
- Assaults

The risk of concussion is highest in children and adolescents, and in people who participate in contact sports.

#### **Part 2: Diagnosis and Treatment of Concussions**

The diagnosis of a concussion is based on the patient's symptoms and a physical examination. There is no single test that can diagnose a concussion, but there are a variety of tests that can help to rule out other conditions, such as a skull fracture or a brain bleed.

The treatment of a concussion typically involves rest and avoiding activities that could aggravate the symptoms. In some cases, medication may be prescribed to help relieve the symptoms of a concussion. Surgery is rarely necessary for the treatment of a concussion.

#### **Part 3: Prevention of Concussions**

There are a number of things that can be done to prevent concussions, including:

- Wearing a helmet when playing sports
- Heading a soccer ball with the forehead, not the top of the head
- Avoiding texting while driving
- Buckling up in a car
- Preventing falls

By following these tips, you can help to reduce your risk of concussion.

### **Appendix: Resources for Concussion Information**

There are a number of organizations that provide information about concussions, including:

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- National Institute on Aging (NIA)
- Mayo Clinic
- National Library of Medicine (NLM)



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