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Neal McGrath, Ph.D. is a well-known neuropsychologist in the Boston area and has more than 25 years of clinical experience. He specializes in the evaluation and rehabilitation of traumatic brain injuries. Dr. McGrath is New England's first Credentialed ImPACT[®] Consultant. His work has been featured on **WBUR**, **WCVB-TV** and **WGBH-TV's Greater Boston**. He is the Clinical Director and founder of **Sports Concussion New England**, now serving over two dozen schools as well as individual student athletes from many high schools, colleges, and elementary schools in New England.

Dr. McGrath is also a Consulting Neuropsychologist for the MENTOR Acquired Brain Injury Program/Center for Comprehensive Services-New England, the Massachusetts Statewide Head Injury Program, and the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission. He developed and consulted for many years to New England Rehabilitation Hospital's Head Injury Community Services program. He has also collaborated on clinical research for the Traumatic Brain Injury Model Systems Grant at Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital.

Dr. McGrath maintains a private practice in neuropsychological assessment of adolescents and adults in Brookline, MA. He sees patients with a variety of acquired brain injuries as well as for evaluation of learning disabilities and Attention Deficit Disorder. He is a member of the American Psychological Association, Division 40 (Clinical Neuropsychology) and Division 22 (Rehabilitation Psychology), and the Massachusetts Neuropsychological Society.

Dr. McGrath has given numerous presentations on sports concussion management at professional meetings and conferences.

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A Father's Story

"In November of 2003, my son was thrilled to be starting as a linebacker for his high school varsity football team.

As his team won an exciting game on a last-second field goal, fans rushed on the field to congratulate the players. But my son was not celebrating. Instead, we found him wandering around



the field, confused and agitated, convinced that he had 'lost the game' for his team. You can imagine how upset we were to find him in this condition. While on the field, he had sustained a concussion and played the last half of the game with little memory of it.

As a neuropsychologist, it was frightening to know how medically at risk he was to have continued playing after he was hurt. After several difficult days of concussion symptoms, he recovered well over the next few weeks. But it was not easy to determine when it would be safe for him to return to football action."