

# THE TEAM **BEHIND** THE PLAYERS

An Inside Look at In-Stadium Medical Staff on NFL Gamedays

Information enclosed is provided by the National Football League Physicians Society (NFLPS)

## HOME MEDICAL TEAM

## VISITING MEDICAL TEAM

**4** athletic trainers  
Assesses and treats player injuries in conjunction with team doctors

**2** orthopaedists  
Evaluates and treats players for injuries to the bones and joints

**2** primary care physicians  
Evaluates players for general medical conditions and concussions

**1** chiropractor  
Provides back/spinal adjustments for players and treats muscular injuries

**1** unaffiliated neuro-trauma consultant  
Assesses possible brain injuries and concussions

## STADIUM MEDICAL TEAM Serves Both Teams

**1** independent athletic trainer  
Notifies on-field medical staff of possible injuries from press box

**1** ophthalmologist  
Maintains eye health of players

**1** dentist  
Evaluates and treats injuries to the teeth

**1** radiology technician  
Takes x-rays of injured players at the stadium

**1** airway management physician  
Provides emergency intubation to severely injured, non-breathing players

**2** EMT/paramedic crew  
Transports players to hospital in the event of serious or life-threatening injuries

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## Total Gameday Medical Team

**27**  
Staff Present

**Note:** This graphic reflects average numbers and depicts general positions of on-field medical staff. Neither should be considered NFL protocol.