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# Testing

Dr. Deepak Patel, a board-certified primary care sports medicine physician, is considered an expert on concussions and has been invited to teach other doctors about concussions repeatedly throughout his career at the American Academy of Family Physicians, and other national meetings. He uses the latest technology including ImPACT (Immediate Post Concussion Assessment and Cognitive Testing) and Sway testing to provide his patients with the most comprehensive concussion care.



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## **What is ImPACT?**

ImPACT (Immediate Post-Concussion Assessment and Cognitive Testing) is a concussion evaluation system developed to provide useful information to assist the doctor in making sound return to play decisions following concussions. In the preseason, an athlete is given a 30-minute baseline computer test which tracks neurocognitive function such as verbal and visual memory, attention span, brain processing speed, and reaction time. Later on, if a concussion is suspected during the season, a follow-up test is administered to see if the results have changed from the baseline. Follow-up tests can be administered over to track the athlete's recovery from the injury.

## **What is Sway?**

Sway is an FDA approved device that assesses and records an individual's balance and equilibrium. Athletes simply hold a

device against their chest and perform clinical balance movements. A balance score quickly evaluates total stability. Similar to ImPACT, data is recorded and can be accessed throughout the season.

## **Which Test Should I Schedule?**

Dr. Patel recommends all athletes five years and older have a baseline test. Baseline tests provide the most accurate benchmark for each individual athlete. The data from these tests will assist in post-injury assessment and treatment in the future. The tests can be scheduled together, separately or in addition to a sports physical. Both tests are unique in how they measure the athlete's function. ImPACT provides cognitive testing while Sway measures stability. Baseline tests are \$25 each and are not billable to insurance, so payment is requested at the time of service. All post-injury concussion testing will be billed to insurance.



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