



HEALTH MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Drop Festival
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MANLY NSW

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This document has been prepared for key stakeholders as part of the planning and development application process of the proposed event and is subject to revision.

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THE DROP 2020 – HEALTH MANAGEMENT PLAN – Manly V1 – COMMERCIAL IN CONFIDENCE

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1. Introduction

1.1 Objective Of This Document

This information is provided to facilitate the integration of all health related services at The Drop Festival, Manly 2020. Specifically, this document includes information about the number & qualification of onsite health officials, describes the chains of command between these parties and sets out clear protocols for escalation & requests for transfer to primary care.

In compiling this information, Event Management will liaise with the NSW Health, Northern Sydney LHD, NSW Ambulance (State Planning Unit), Paramedical Services, Dancewise NSW & NSW Police (Northern Beaches LAC) via a number of stakeholder meetings and ongoing consultation.

The Drop has also considered the recently published "Guidelines for music festival event organisers: Music festival harm reduction" as part of it's planning, with the aim to provide best-practice health services.

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/aod/Publications/music-festival-guidelines.PDF>

1.2 Complimentary Documents

Notably, this Health Plan makes reference to a number of other detailed documents. These following have been prepared by event contractors and should be referred to when reading or considering this document:

- Medical Managment Plan_The Drop_2020_V1 (Paramedical Services)
- Event Medical Management_Overview_June_2019 (Paramedical Services)
- Event Medical Risk Classification_The Drop_2020 (Paramedical Services)
- Intoxication Guidelines_August_2018 (Paramedical Services)
- Management of Patients with Psychostimulant Toxicity (Paramedical Services)
- NSW Ambulance Quote *Forthcoming (NSW Ambulance)

2. EVENT PRE-PLANNING & NOTIFICATION

NSW Health, Northern Sydney LHD & St Vincent's Hospital Networks will ensure that advised in that their resources have been briefed about this event, with specific preparations being made to cater for potential mass casualty situations.

Similarly, NSW Ambulance State Planning Unit & Local management team will brief ambulance crews rostered on the day of show, about the specific location & nature of the event, in order to expedite response, should transfer to tertiary care be required.

3. HEALTH STAFFING & RESOURCES

The Drop, Manly 2020 has a considered & uncompromising approach to patron safety & welfare. Through ongoing consultation with relevant stakeholders, The Drop has prepared a roster of Health Official Staffing & Resources to treat a spectrum of health related incidents.

3.1 CHAINS OF COMMAND

Contracted medical provider, Paramedical Services will act as the core Health Care provider & will manage the admission & treatment of all presentations to the medical tent. This operation will be supervised & coordinated by the Event Medical Manager – Dr. Peter Mangles, who will act in a non-clinical role. Should Dr. Mangles become unavailable for any reason, 2IC William Williams will step up into this position.

NSW Ambulance will deploy a Forward Commander, who's role is to Supervise & Liaise with the Event Medical Manager. Specifically, the FC & EMM will continually discuss & assess patient conditions & treatment & consider options and timings for Ambulance transfer (should it be required.)

At any time whilst onsite, the final decision relating to patient transfer will default as follows:

FORWARD COMMANDER > EVENT MEDICAL MANAGER > EVENT MEDICAL 2IC

3.2 REQUESTS FOR GROUND TRANSFERS

In order to reduce calls to 000 from the field, all formal requests for Ambulance transfer are to come from the Medical Compound. Key Event Staff & Security will report medical incidents requiring response via dedicated event radio networks, detailed in Appendix I (Emergency Response) of the Event Management Plan. Once patients are transported back to the medical compound, they will be admitted & assessed by the Paramedical Services team.

Should the decision be made for patients to be transferred, Event Medical Manager & NSW Ambulance Forward Commander will discuss the urgency of response required. For all non-critical or time-sensitive transfers, requests will be made to rostered, NSW Ambulance crews.

This strategy will allow the NSW Pre-Deployed ambulance to remain onsite, to provide options for more time-sensitive patient transfers.

It is important to clarify that the position of ALL Stakeholders is that time is critical when it relates to patients showing signs of drug & alcohol intoxication. Requests for transfer to tertiary care will not be considered detrimental to the event, event management, contracted health-care providers, NSW Ambulance or NSW LHD, but a proactive precaution taken to ensure the welfare of individuals.

4. HARM MINIMISATION

"Appendix H" of The Drop, Manly 2020 Event Management Plan contains documentation relating to peer-based NSW Government funded, Harm Minimisation team, Dancewize. Although the DW operation is not considered to be a health service, their operation will complement this Health Plan by providing care and information to non-critical / acute intoxication patients.