

Dive Emergency Response

If a dive emergency develops then:

- **Do Not Panic**
- Assess the situation (DRSABCD)
- Protect first aiders from injury
- Retrieve the injured diver
- Protect the patient from further injury
- Send for help - Dial 1800 088 200
- Stand-by for instructions and give immediate first aid as required.

Collect essential information:

- Number of patients
- Nature of and extent of injury/s
- Progressive state of patient's e.g. stable, colour, getting worse
- First aid administered
- History relating to incident
- First aid equipment on site

Calling emergency services:

- Give exact location and any directions
- Give the number of patients
- Give type and extent of injury
- Give the telephone number of the phone you are using.

Get someone else to record details of:

- Patient's full recent diving history for at least the preceding 48 hours
- Previous medical history of patients e.g. colds, previous injuries, medications etc.
- Provide a brief summary of the incident