

FALL EDUCATION CONFERENCE
“IT Takes A Village”
KEYNOTE ADDRESS AND SPEAKER
Dr. Ruben Echemendia



**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2011 –
9:00 AM-10:15 AM**

BIO

Dr. Ruben Echemendia is the Director of the National Hockey League’s Neuropsychological Testing Program and Chair of the NHL’s Concussion Working Group. He is also Chair of Major League Soccer’s concussion program and is the consulting clinical neuropsychologist to the US Soccer Federation and the U.S. Soccer National Teams. He is the founder of the Penn State University Concussion Program and the

consulting neuropsychologist to Princeton University’s Department of Athletic Medicine.

Dr. Echemendia also serves as a consultant to numerous recreational, high school, college and professional sports teams. He serves on the US Lacrosse Sports Science and Safety Committee, the Boxing and Martial Arts Committee of the American College of Sports Medicine and the US Soccer Medical Advisory Committee. Having extensive clinical and research experience with sports-related concussions, has spoken internationally on issues related to traumatic brain injury in sports and has served as a consultant to the NCAA, the U.S. Defense Veteran’s Brain Injury Center and other national organizations.

He is currently in independent practice after having spent 18 years on the faculty of Clinical Psychology at The Pennsylvania State University where he was Director of the Psychological Clinic. Additionally, Dr. Echemendia is a Past President of the National Academy of Neuropsychology and the American Psychological Association and has published extensively in the area of sports neuropsychology and has been a featured guest on several television and radio programs.

Presentation:

Evaluation and Management of Sports-related Concussion: Separating Fact from Fiction

This talk will provide a broad introduction to current approaches in the evaluation of sports-related concussion as well as appropriate management of this traumatic brain injury.

Throughout the presentation, distinctions will be made as to those approaches that have been scientifically validated or consensually accepted in the medical community, and those that are conjecture, myths or fallacies.