

**University of Rhode Island**  
**Dive Operations & Accident Management Plan**

**DIVE OPERATION OVERVIEW**

**Location of Fieldwork:**

**Local Dive Safety Officer/POC:**

**Dates of research dives:**

**Scientific Dive Team: (First diver listed is lead diver)**

<u>Diver Name</u>	<u>Diving Program</u> <u>Email Address</u>

*\*Lead Diver must ensure that oxygen unit, first aid kit, & radio or cell phone are on-site.*

**Location of research dives (describe local sites):**

**Approximate number of proposed dives:**

**Estimated maximum depths and bottom times anticipated:**

**URI Diving Equipment:**

**Special Equipment Required:**

**Other Equipment, Boats, etc.:**

**Any hazardous conditions anticipated:**

**Scope of Work (describe what you are doing):**

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN

### **Primary Response**

1. Diver will be removed from water and stabilized on a backboard if necessary.
2. Make appropriate contact with victim or rescuers as required.
3. Establish (A)irway, (B)reathing, (C)irculation as required.
4. Further stabilize the victim
5. Administer 100% oxygen, if appropriate (in cases of Decompression Illness, or Near Drowning).
6. Activate Emergency Medical System (EMS) for transport to nearest medical treatment facility. Call DAN to assist and track progress of evacuation. Explain the circumstances of the dive incident to the evacuation teams, medics and physicians.
7. Call appropriate Emergency Contacts to follow-through with primary response and prepare for Evacuation
8. Notify URI DSO or designee
9. Complete and submit Incident Report Form

**EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Nearest emergency medical facility/phone #: Call 911**

**LIST HERE**

**Name of Emergency Transporter/Method of Transport/Transporter Phone #: Call 911**

VHF 16 on vessel's marine radio

**Coast Guard- List nearby station**

**Nearest hyperbaric chamber location/contact information:**

**RI**  
**Wound Recovery and Hyperbaric Medicine Center**  
15 Health Lane, Building 2-D  
Warwick, Rhode Island

Contact Information: Ricardo Duran 401-736-4646

Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm  
24-hour emergency hyperbaric oxygen (HBO) therapy service available

**List other options closest to diving destination. Contact DAN for more assistance.**

**Divers Alert Network (DAN) Contact Information:**  
DAN Diving Emergencies - +1-919-684-4326 or +1-919-684-9111  
DAN *TravelAssist* for Non-Diving Emergencies - 1-800-326-3822  
DAN Non-Emergency Diving Questions and all other DAN services +1-919-684-2948

**URI Emergency Contact Information: 401-874-2121**

**URI Dive Safety Officer:** Anya Hanson, 203-258-4479

**Local Diving Safety Officer:** if applicable

**Divers' Emergency Contacts**

<u>Diver Name</u>	<u>Emergency Contact Person</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Emergency Phone</u>	<u>DAN#</u>