

Prince Albert HOCKEY

Substance Abuse Policy

In Recognizing the problem that substance abuse poses in our society, P.A. Hockey has developed a policy that not only protects our players, Coaches, etc. but also works with our athletes to give them the best chance at getting the help they might need.

We also recognize that any issue regarding substance abuse needs to be treated as an illness and in these unfortunate situations proper treatment is more important than the game of hockey.

Due to the wide array of problems or issues every case under this policy will be handled on an individual basis. The policy will cover but will not be limited to the misuse of Alcohol, illegal or prescription drugs, or any other stimulants or performance enhancing drugs.

This policy will not be limited to players but will also be in place for Officials, Coaches, etc. This policy will cover our players and team officials at any and all team functions, games, practice, tournaments, etc.

Anyone who is a member of P.A. Hockey in any of the aforementioned categories found guilty of any form of substance abuse, will be suspended from their team until a formal investigation has been conducted. This investigation may also include the police or other authorities.

Once a length of suspension has been decided upon it will also be a condition of the discipline that the person in question will also be expected to attend substance abuse counselling at a provincial addiction services office. If the person in question is a minor their parents must attend the counselling sessions as well.

Besides the time suspension handed down by P.A. Hockey it is understood that the member must follow all instructions and recommendations set out by the addictions councillor. It is further understood that P.A. Hockey will be able to access attendance records through the addictions councillor, which may require authorization from the P.A. Hockey member.

With this two pronged approach it is hoped that P.A. Hockey in conjunction with Addiction services is showing our members that we truly want what's best for them in every aspect of their life.