

# **Canadian Player Pathway**



Community to Emerging High Performance 2018 - 19

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How a player gets that first experience of hockey is crucial.

If a player has fun while developing the fundamental skills and building confidence in their ability to perform those fundamental skills, there is a strong probability that player will go on to enjoy hockey for many years.

### INTRODUCTION

LEAD, DEVELOP AND PROMOTE POSITIVE HOCKEY

EXPERIENCES



TOM RENNEY
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Whoever said those words took the pulse of a nation that has had a long and storied love affair with hockey

#### Hockey is Canada and Canada is hockey.

Let's face it – hockey is a touchstone of Canadian life. It is Canada's national theatre and it is the chatter of the country. Hockey is more than a sport for Canadians, it is a part of the country's heart and soul.



### **VISION: WORLD SPORTS LEADERS**

### WHAT IS THE BANTAM / MIDGET PATHWAY?

- ❖ The Bantam / Midget Pathway is a progressive, learn to play teaching curriculum. This pathway is an important transition as players get ready for the emerging high performance pathway of Bantam and onto Midget
- Consists of four phases of instruction, designed for recreational and competitive level players
- Introduces, develops and refines technical skills, individual tactics and team play to create well rounded, skilled players.



The main goal is to offer programming that meets the needs of the players who want to play the game for fun as well those that have their sights on the competitive / high performance pathway.

### WHAT IS THE BANTAM / MIDGET PATHWAY?

Refining advanced movement skills (skating, puck control, shooting) and overall motor skills (balance, coordination, agility), while introducing and developing individual tactics and team play.



#### THE OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM

- Continue to grow their impression of hockey a positive one for players and parents.
- Play/Games exist for fun as well as formalized games for competition, intensity and player identification
- Streaming of the players goal is to have players working with players of like skills to develop confidence and self esteem and preparing players for high performance

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#### DEVELOPMENT PHASE

8 PRACTICES EXHIBITION **REGULAR SEASON** PHASE

20 GAMES

#### **PLAYOFFS**

Mar 15 - 30 Playoff Tournaments March 31 end of season

#### TOURNAMENTS

3 tournaments 12 games

#### TOTAL PRACTICES: 30 - 35 TOTAL GAMES: 35 - 40

CONSIDERATIONS:

Prep Camp: 2 Weeks 8 - 10 sessions - 1 60 minute session per day

Tryouts: 5 skates then evaluate 2 practices / 3 Inter-squad games

- · 1 Dedicated Skill Practice per week
- · 2 Seasonal Breaks (School Breaks)
- · TournamentStylePlayoffsvsrounds

#### **DEVELOPMENTAL** (competitive)

#### DEVELOPMENT PHASE

PRACTICES EXHIBITION

**REGULAR SEASON-**PHASE

60 28

**PLAYOFFS** April 1 - 15 Playoff Tournaments April 16 end of season

TOURNAMENTS 4 tournaments 16 games

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PRACTICES EXHIBITION GAMES

#### **REGULAR SEASON** PHASE

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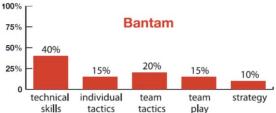
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The Bantam program recommends 40% technical skills, 15% individual tactics, 20%team tactics, 15% team play, and 10% strategy.



The Midget program recommends 35% technical skills, 15% individual tactics, 20% team tactics, 15% team play, and 15% strategy.





#### **SEPTEMBER**

-Technical Skills - Introduce

#### **FEBRUARY**

-Team Tactics - Develop

#### **OCTOBER**

-Technical Skills - Develop -Individual Tactics - Introduce

#### **MARCH**

-Technical Skills – Refine -Team Tactics - Refine

#### **NOVEMBER**

-Technical Skills – Develop -Individual Tactics - Refine

#### **APRIL**

**Tournaments / Playoffs** 

#### **DECEMBER**

Technical Skills – Develop / Refine

#### **JANUARY**

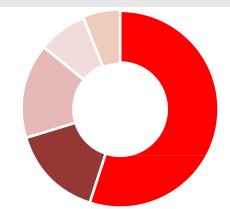
**Team Tactics - Introduce** 

#### MAY / JUNE / JULY / AUGUST

Off season

Spring Skills (No Games) Multisport Activities / Off Ice Training

#### SEASONAL STRUCTURE BREAKDOWN CHART



- 25% Introducing Technical Skills
- 25% Refining Technical Skills
- 25% Developing Individual Tactics
- 10% Introducing Team Tactics
- 15% Developing Team Tactics

#### **SEPTEMBER**

-Prep Camp - 2 Weeks - 8 - 10 sessions - (1 - 60 minute session per day) -Tryouts - 5 skates then evaluate / Team Selection - combination of practices / Inter-squad / Exhibition games



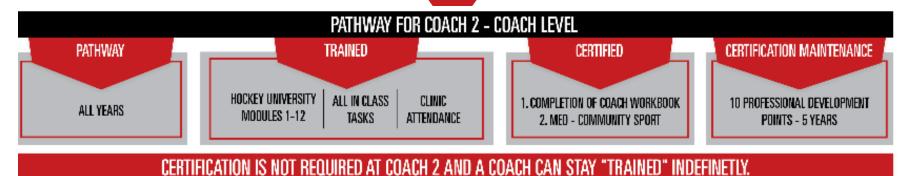
### **COACH PATHWAY**

#### **BANTAM / MIDGET Coaching Pathway**

-Hockey University – On-line Module

-Coach 2 — Coach 2 in Class and On Ice Clinic or HP1

-RIS – Activity Leader – On-line Module



**Continuing Education Opportunities - NCCP Instructional Stream** 

-Skating Clinic -Skills Clinic

-Developing Defencemen Clinic

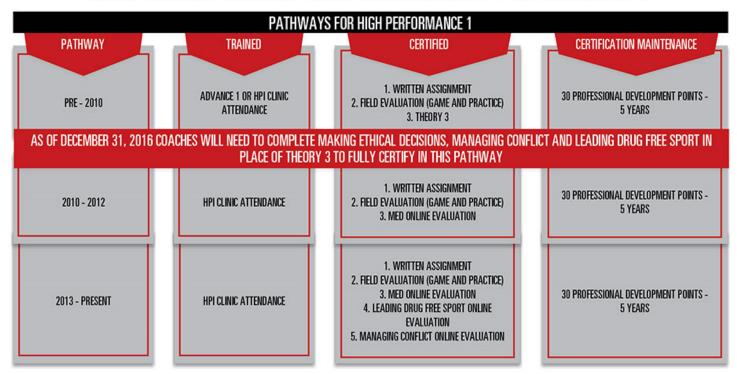
-Small Area Games Clinic

-Goaltending Clinic

# INSTRUCTORS / COACHES

All Head Coaches coaching Bantam, Midget, Junior "A" teams that compete in Interprovincial or National Championships or the highest level as determined by the Member, must be High Performance 1 'certified'. It is recommended that all Assistant coaches be at minimum Development 1 "trained".

#### **COMPETITION DEVELOPMENT STREAM: HIGH PERFORMANCE 1**



# BANTAM / MIDGET SKILLS LTPD STAGE – Train to Train

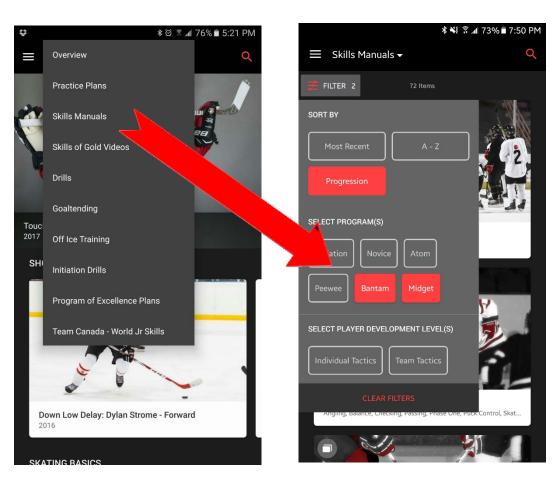
| Skating   | Individual Offensive Play<br>Puck Control  | Individual Offensive Play<br>Passing / Receiving  | Individual Offensive Play<br>Shooting  | Team Play / Offensive<br>Skills  |  |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| Strong On Feet Stride Edges Transition And Pivots Change Of Direction Acceleration / Crossovers Stability Power Agility Quick Feet Evasive Turns Escapes Skate The Game   | Control Carry With Speed Protection/In A Crowd Driving To The Net Stick Fakes Body Fakes Dekes Moves In Combination Creativity Deception | <ul> <li>Puck Management<br/>Skills</li> <li>Passing</li> <li>Look Offs</li> <li>Receive And Control<br/>Consistently</li> <li>Pick up Bad Passes</li> <li>1<sup>st</sup> Pass Threat</li> <li>Finding Seams</li> </ul>         | Being An Option     Quick Release     In Stride     Change Puck Angle     Shot Choice     Shot Mentality     Find Shooting Lane  | <ul> <li>Head Up</li> <li>Puck Protection</li> <li>Puck Management</li> <li>Quick Transition</li> <li>Smart Puck Support<br/>Principles (Under<br/>Pressure)</li> <li>Entries</li> <li>Retrievals</li> <li>Hinging</li> <li>Delays</li> <li>Cycling</li> <li>Net Drives</li> <li>Anticipation</li> </ul> |  |
| Individual Defensive Skills   | Team Play / Defensive<br>Skills  | Intangibles   | Hockey Sense   |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Angling</li> <li>Stick On Puck</li> <li>Defensive Side Positioning</li> <li>Shot Blocking</li> <li>Boxing Out</li> <li>Fronting</li> <li>Controlled Skating</li> <li>Tracking</li> <li>Transition From Defense To Offense</li> </ul> | Timing And Support - Spatial Awareness Situational Gap Control Read and React Communication  | <ul> <li>Dedication To Being<br/>An Elite Athlete</li> <li>Be In Every Battle</li> <li>Resiliency</li> <li>Work Ethic</li> <li>Communication Skills</li> <li>Emotional Control</li> <li>Does "Whatever It<br/>Takes"</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Ability To Make         Decisions That Affect         The Play</li> <li>Ability To         Understand The         Tactics Necessary To         Compete At This         Level</li> <li>Adaptability</li> </ul> |  |  |







#### **Skill Development – Skills Manuals**



The Hockey Canada Skills Development Bantam and Midget Manuals are broken up into 32 separate practice plans. Each individual drill can also be accessed.

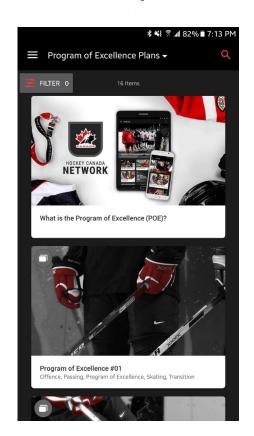
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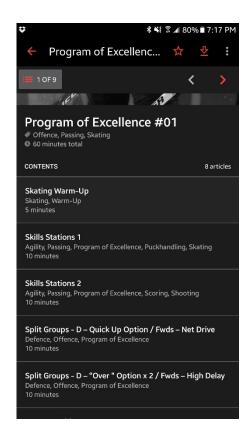






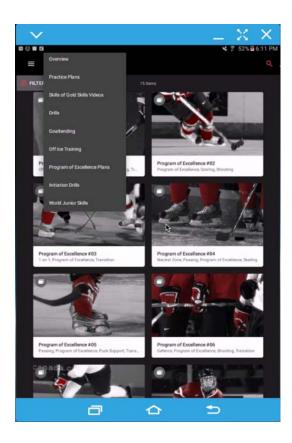
#### **Skill Development – Program of Excellence**





15 set practice
plans put together
by former Team
Canada Coaches.
Combinations of
skills, tactics and
team play in ready
made practice
plans.

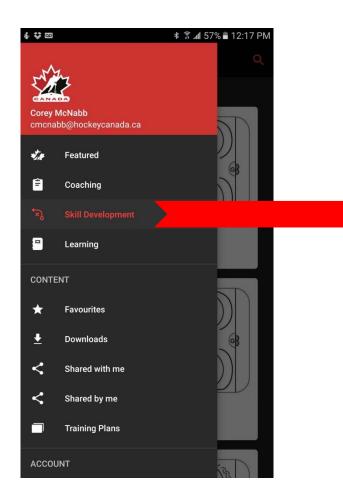
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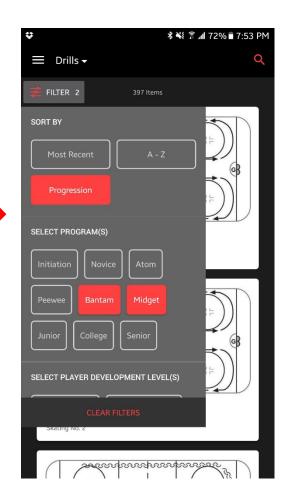


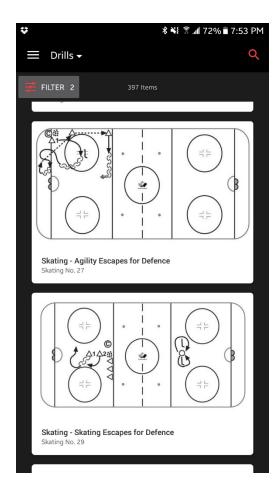




#### Skill Development – Bantam / Midget Skills







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