WRRA Coaching Report

January 2017

CI Certifed

A reminder that those coaches wishing to become CI Certified have until January 31, 2017 to complete their evaluation. Please note in order to do so they must have completed all prerequisites (Intro to Coaching, CI Clinic, MED clinic and MED evaluation) and are reminded to register on the Ringette Canada Coaching website for their evaluation if not already done so.

Making Ethical Decisions

Coaches are reminded about the MED requirements to be qualified to be on a bench as a coach. New coaches must complete the MED clinic as well as all coaches must take the relevant MED evaluation. Reminder that the deadline to complete the required MED components is January 31, 2017. For more information please follow this link to the ORA site http://www.ontario-ringette.com/coaching/MED.php?sub=coaching.

Professional Development

As per the membership notice previously sent out and found on the ORA website at <u>http://www.ontario-</u> <u>ringette.com/administration/member_notices/Notice%20to%20the%20Members%20-</u> <u>%20Professional%20Development.pdf</u>. All coaches are required to complete professional development in order to maintain their coaching credentials on a five year cycle. The Region will be offering opportunities to satisfy this PD requirement to all coaches with a variety of different courses/clinics.

As the ringette season is busy for all of us we will begin to offer PD courses in the latter part of the season and into the Spring. Please stay tuned to the Region website for more information as these clinics and courses become available.

Bench Staff Code of Conduct

All bench staff are reminded that they have signed the Bench Staff Code of Conduct Agreement (ORA Form C-F-01) and we trust that bench staff will adhere to both the letter and spirit of this Code of Conduct. A number of bench staff have already been ejected and suspensions levied throughout the

province including in our own Region this year so I ask that coaches, managers and trainers try to represent their team, association and Western Region appropriately during all sanctioned events.

I would also like to remind coaches that you are responsible for the conduct of your fans during all sanctioned events. I know this is difficult when you are on the bench but I hope that each coach within our Region has met with their parents to discuss the behaviour expected from all of them while at the arena both towards other fans and the officials and in addition if a situation should arise that they deal with these problems as quickly as possible to ensure there are not similar issues in the future.

Bench Staff Substitutions

For all sanctioned events (tournaments) teams that require a bench staff substitution must complete the applicable form for which a copy can be found at <u>http://www.ontario-</u> <u>ringette.com/administration/documents/C-F-02.pdf</u>. Once completed the form should be sent to Karla Xavier at the ORA office for approval.

Operating Manual

All coaches are reminded of the importance of reviewing the ORA Operating Manual, especially the sections on Coaching, Games and Tournaments and Sport Development. The Operating Manual can be found at http://www.ontario-ringette.com/administration/index.php?sub=administration

Interested in Getting Involved:

If you are interested in getting involved with helping to facilitate coaching clinics in our Region please let me know as we are always looking for interested and enthusiastic people to join the team.

Questions?

Don't hesitate to contact me at <u>coachwrra@wrra.ca</u> with any coaching related questions. Have a great season!

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