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CAC Statement on NCCP Delivery in COVID-19 Climate

CAC Strikes COVID-19 NCCP DELIVERY TASK FORCE

April 7, 2020 -- The Coaching Association of Canada (CAC) has struck a COVID-19 NCCP Delivery Task Force to consider the impact on NCCP delivery (including training and evaluation) given current restrictions on in-person gatherings and social distancing guidelines.

The CAC's COVID-19 NCCP Delivery Task Force convened its initial meetings on Thursday, April 2 and Monday, April 6, following an open call to NCCP Partners to participate on the committee.

Initial meetings focused on identifying potential gaps, issues, and risks facing NCCP delivery partners, including National Sport Organizations (NSOs), Provincial/Territorial Coaching Representatives (PTCRs), Provincial/Territorial Sport Organizations (PTSOs), and local clubs. The Task Force also considered recommendations for requirements for coach developers for online delivery.

Effective immediately, the CAC has made the decision to support NCCP delivery partners to use their Support to Sport funds to support online delivery of NCCP workshops. NCCP Master Coach Developers and NCCP Coach Developers who deliver their training online must maintain minimum training standards. The CAC will work with NSOs and PTCRs to create and implement these standards. PTSOs, clubs, coach developers and coaches should consult with their National Sport Organization before doing any NCCP delivery.

The CAC has also received inquiries regarding its position on NCCP delivery partners returning to deliver in-person NCCP workshops after restrictions and social distancing guidelines are lifted. The CAC will respect the jurisdiction of all Provincial/Territorial Government protocols in their return to school, work, play, and public gathering procedures, including sport.

The CAC is also working with NSOs and PTCRs to continue delivery of NCCP through online and Home Study formats. Coaches are asked to contact their NSO with any questions regarding NCCP delivery for their respective sport(s).

Coaches are also invited to continue their NCCP education and professional development through the eLearning options available in the Locker.