RESEARCH INSIGHTS



National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) Research in Canada

NCCP Delivery - Coach Training

For the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) to be delivered, training and evaluations events needs to be available and coaches needs to participate. Barriers and facilitators for both have been identified.

Coach participation

There are strong evidences that the main barriers and enablers to coach training and evaluation are related to the following areas:

- Time and cost
- Geography, travel and Coach Developer's accessibility
- Value of certification and coach buy In
- Tedious process
- Not enough coaches signed up for a course for the organization to run the course

Coaches working full-time and/or being volunteers are unwilling to travel great distances to participate into NCCP training. Coaches perceive that the NCCP modules are too long and that they do not have enough time to devote to completing the modules. Furthermore, coaches find it challenging to understand what courses they need to take within the NCCP for them to progress

Events availability

For an organizational or system perspective, successes in implementing the NCCP might be influenced by the following factors

- Provincial government funding and role in coach education
- Provincial demographics
- Different sport expectations
- Culture and importance of coach certification in provincial and local sport organizations

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