CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: SUPPORT THROUGH SPORT FOR YOUTH COACHES DEVELOPMENT TEAM

The Coaching Association of Canada (CAC) is seeking applications from youth coaches (aged 16 to 28), sport organization representatives, and subject matter experts who are interested in contributing to the 2024-2029 Support Through Sport for Youth Coaches Development Team assembled to provide input and guidance into the CAC's project. The Development Team's mandate, roles and responsibilities, and project timelines are outlined in the Support Team Terms of Reference.

About the Development Team Positions

Up to a maximum of 18 positions are available:

- Up to a maximum of twelve youth coaches (aged 16 to 28)
- Up to a maximum of three provincial/territorial or national sport representatives (e.g. administrators)
- Up to a maximum of three Subject Matter Experts in dating violence, gender-based violence, healthy relationships, and/or related fields.

General Characteristics of Development Members: In addition to specific representational requirements, the selection of candidates will be based on desired characteristics such as:

- knowledge, skills and interest related to gender-based violence, teen dating violence, and healthy relationships;
- an understanding of the sport community;
- coaching and/or coach education background; sound research, professional and/or sport background; sport leadership education background;
- a record of organizational accomplishment and community service;
- demonstrated capacity to think and act independently while contributing to the team;
- positive leadership experience in an organization in the midst of significant organizational and/or cultural change.

Skills and Experience: You have a proven track record as a key leader in (a) coaching, coach development, coach education, and/or (b) research and evidence-based education, professional practice, and/or experience in the areas dating violence, gender-based violence, healthy relationships, and/or related fields, and/or (c) understanding the needs of the project's target populations through lived experiences. Positive leadership experience and coaching experience are definite assets.

Term: Beginning in January 2025, the task force members will serve a 4-year and 2-month term ending March 2029.

Time Commitment: The time commitment is up to two virtual meetings annually, including a kickoff meeting (February 2025), and up to two in-person meetings, including a Development Team training meeting (Spring/Summer 2025) and a project close-out meeting (November 2028). Time will also be dedicated to key tasks required by Development Team Members, such as reviewing materials, providing input and feedback, and connecting with contacts in your network.

Acknowledgement: The Coaching Association of Canada will publicly acknowledge all Development Team members' contributions to the Support Through Sport for Youth Coaches project.

Application Process

After reviewing the <u>Support Through Sport for Youth Coaches Development Team Terms of Reference</u>, applications can be completed and submitted through this form:

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The application form has the following sections to be completed:

- 1. **Demographic and Contact Information**: including name, email address, your province or territory of residence
- 2. Experience: Provide information on your previous experience related to the role of interest
- 3. **Interest:** share your reasons for interest in the opportunity and your potential contributions

Disclaimer: This application form requests demographic information from applicants. The purpose for collecting this information is to ensure alignment with the expected project objective of representation and community involvement in development and implementation. You can voluntarily indicate in your application if you are a member of one or more of the CAC's Priority Groups, as defined in the CAC's Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Policy, and/or another equity-deserving community. It is not mandatory to provide this information.

Deadline to submit: 5:00 PM ET on November 24, 2024.

Nominees are encouraged to submit applications as soon as possible. All those selected for the development team will be notified by **December 20, 2024**.

For any questions on the opportunity, please contact:

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About the Coaching Association of Canada

The Coaching Association of Canada (CAC) unites stakeholders and partners in its commitment to raising the skills and stature of coaches, and ultimately expanding their reach and influence. Through its programs, the CAC empowers coaches with knowledge and skills, promotes ethics, fosters positive attitudes, builds competence, and increases the credibility and recognition of coaches. Visit www.coach.ca for more information about coach education and training.