

MEMORANDUM



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TO: ALLIANCE Hockey Recreational Council, ALLIANCE Hockey Representative Council
CC: ALLIANCE Hockey Executive Committee
FROM: Tony Martindale
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RE: Respect in Sport (RiS) Online Certification

The prevention of abuse, bullying and harassment has been at the forefront of ALLIANCE Hockey's Risk Management strategies since 1997 when the Speak Out program was introduced by Hockey Canada for all Canadian hockey coaches and in subsequent years, all team personnel. To further that commitment and to make it easier and more effective to receive this required education, ALLIANCE Hockey has launched Respect in Sport, an e-learning program for coaches, trainers, managers and any adult with a supervisory role over youth involved in hockey.

Respect in Sport (RiS) is a grassroots online program that helps sport organizations deliver on their commitment in creating a safe environment for all participants. Respect in Sport provides an engaging internet-based training tool that promotes respect and helps prevent abuse, bullying and harassment. Through this education, participants are better equipped to help youth build self-esteem, learn the value of participating in sport and, most importantly, have fun.

The RiS Online certification provides another option for those ALLIANCE Hockey participants seeking the certification. ALLIANCE Hockey currently offers the Speak Out/Prevention Services certification in the following ways:

- Stand Alone Speak Out Classroom Clinics
- Speak Out integrated NCCP Coach Stream and NCCP Development 1 Stream Coaching Clinics
- Speak Out integrated HTCP Clinics

The RiS option allows participants to complete the certification at a time and place that is convenient to them. The participant may complete the certification in segments, over a maximum 30-day time period.

RiS online certification is also linked to the Hockey Canada Registry (HCR), ensuring that successful ALLIANCE Hockey participant certification will be uploaded to the HCR upon completion.

For further information about the RiS certification and training, log onto www.alliancehockey.com.

We look forward to providing this new initiative to our Membership while keeping the safety of all of our participants in the forefront.

Tony Martindale
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