

# **JOB POSTING - DIRECTOR OF HOCKEY OPERATIONS**

**SCOPE:** This role oversees all aspects of on-ice hockey development for players aged U5 to U18 within Burnaby Minor Hockey Association (BMHA).

#### **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Develop and Implement Comprehensive Hockey Development Plans:
  - Curriculum Design: Create age-appropriate, progressive hockey development curriculums aligned with Hockey Canada's Long-Term Player Development (LTPD) model. This includes skill-based training, tactical awareness, and physical conditioning.
  - **Program Innovation:** Introduce and evaluate new development programs, such as specialized skills clinics, power skating sessions, goalie training, and off-ice conditioning programs.
  - **Evaluation and Adjustment:** Regularly assess the effectiveness of development plans through player feedback, coach evaluations, and performance metrics. Make data-driven adjustments to ensure continuous improvement.
  - **Pathway Creation:** Establish clear pathways for players to progress from initiation programs (U5) to competitive rep teams (U18), ensuring a smooth and consistent development experience.
  - Integrating latest training techniques: Research and implement modern training techniques, including video analysis, and data tracking.

#### • Oversee Coaching Education and Development Programs for All Coaches:

- **Coach Certification:** Ensure all coaches meet Hockey Canada's certification requirements and provide opportunities for ongoing professional development.
- **Workshops and Clinics:** Organize and conduct regular coaching workshops and clinics focusing on skill development, practice planning, game strategy, and player management.
- **Mentorship Program:** Establish a mentorship program pairing experienced coaches with new coaches to provide guidance and support.
- **Resource Development:** Create and distribute coaching resources, including practice plans, drills, and instructional videos.

## • Lead the Recruitment, Hiring, and Evaluation of All Team Coaches:

- **Recruitment Strategy:** Develop a proactive recruitment strategy to attract qualified and passionate coaches, including networking, advertising, and partnerships with local universities and colleges.
- **Hiring Process:** Establish a transparent and rigorous hiring process, including interviews, reference checks, and background checks.
- **Coach Selection Criteria:** Define clear selection criteria based on coaching experience, qualifications, communication skills, and alignment with BMHA's values.



- **Performance Evaluation:** Implement a formal coach evaluation system that includes player feedback, parent feedback, and observation of coaching practices.
- **Retention Strategies:** Develop and implement strategies to retain high-quality coaches.
- Addressing Coach Concerns: Create a clear process for coaches to address concerns and provide feedback.
- **Training for coaches on conflict resolution:** Provide training to coaches for how to deal with conflicts between players, parents, and other coaches.
- Collaborate with Other Departments (e.g., registration, fundraising) to ensure program alignment and success:
  - Communicate effectively with other departments to ensure smooth program operations.
  - Participate in strategic planning and budget development.
  - Support fundraising initiatives to enhance program resources.

## **DESIRED OUTCOME:**

- Enhance the overall player experience for all BMHA members.
- Improve player development and skill acquisition across all age groups.
- Foster a positive and supportive coaching environment.
- Increase the competitiveness and success of BMHA teams.
- Establish BMHA as a leader in minor hockey development within the region.

## TERMS:

- The Director of Hockey Operations will be a contractor to BMHA.
- Renumeration to be negotiated based on candidate's experience and skill set.

## HOW TO APPLY:

If you are a passionate and experienced hockey professional with a strong background in coaching, player development, and program management, please provide your resume and cover letter outlining your hockey philosophy by 5pm on Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 to Adam Pruss at <u>director-coaching@burnabyminor.com</u>.

Thank you for your interest in joining the Burnaby Minor Hockey Association team!