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Coach Education

1. Increase NCCP training and certification opportunities in all parts of the province
 - Yearly Course Calendar – really low registration for fall courses (survey said 70% wanted fall courses?)
 - ★ Fewer scheduled courses? More tailored courses for athletes, teachers, and BC teams?
 - North - Applied for Northern Grant (unsuccessful again but will keep applying)
 - Road Running NCCP Courses - 4 complete – will do next one in the spring in Trail or Smithers
 - Performance Coach – Nov 2015 was first provincially hosted course in Canada! Next one in the spring.
 - Evaluation Day – in person opportunity for coaches to complete their certification (next one in Jan)
 - Make Ethical Decisions – addition of MED (for free) to each course to help coaches get certified
2. Provide Para Athletics coach education opportunities
 - All Club Coach Throws courses include a “value added” component of Para Throws
 - Partnering with BC Wheelchair Sports again this year for practical coach education pro-d opportunities
 - Para Grant to provide infrastructure for each new facility that hosts a Club Coach Throws course
 - ★ We need more clubs to apply!!!
3. Increase professional development opportunities for teachers and club coaches
 - Summer ProD Series in South Surrey was positive again; also did some in Langley and the Okanagan
 - ★ Looking for other series across the province
 - Looking to support Pilot High School workshop series in the Fraser Valley or Richmond

Coach Recruitment

1. Develop and implement a coach recruitment strategy that takes advantage of retiring athletes
 - Will be formalizing the training of Learning Facilitators and Subject Matter Experts
 - Current/Retired National Team Athletes Course – Nov 2015 – Endurance Club Coach - 11 new coaches!
 - ★ Many would like a formal way to connect with mentors in their communities
 - ★ Would like to do a University Athlete Sport Coach Course (including officials training)

Coach Development

1. Provide an environment of sharing enabling coaches to grow and improve their expertise
 - New Coaching Education Communication Message:
 - positive focus on the benefits of the NCCP courses (they are the skeleton of coach education)
 - acknowledgement of the tremendous benefit of mentoring and hands-on practical professional development opportunities (the meat of coaching education)
 - ★ Need a both a formal and an information mentorship program or grant opportunities
2. Encourage the professionalization of coaching in Athletics through various partnerships and incentives
 - Links on the website for grants and financial support for coach education
 - Positive Partnerships with Sport Med BC, ViaSport, BCWSA, CAC, and University programs
3. Enhance the coach recognition program to support retention and acknowledge achievements
 - Website has Learning Facilitator Profiles, and soon profiles of Team Staff Coaches and Personal Coaches of Team BC Athletes; may be adding a List of Certified BC Coaches