



2011/2012 TEAM ALBERTA PROGRAM Support Staff Opportunities



GENERAL PROGRAM INFORMATION

The Team Alberta U16 program (male and female) is a core Hockey Alberta Development Program. The preparation and training of the staff for the U16 program is crucial to the success of the program and ensures quality leadership for the future of Hockey in Alberta. Hockey Alberta routinely selects only the best available coaches, health care professionals, therapists and referees to develop, but ensures their commitment to excellence and fairness in the program.

As part of the program an emphasis is placed on the development and identification of Alberta's best hockey people; that might have an opportunity to represent Alberta at future national or international events. The U16 program leads able participants through the development process to the Team Alberta Program – U17 or U18.

2012 Alberta Cup (Male): Lethbridge, AB – April 25-29, 2012

- We are looking for one support staff to head up the Safety Program for each of the Alberta Cup Zones through the zone camps and competition.
- Applicants should be training at a fairly competitive level with a minimum of Hockey Canada Safety Program and First Aid / CPR certifications.

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

The following list highlights just some of the skills you will gain from this program:

- Dressing Room Setup
- Bench Management
- Equipment skills
- Skate Sharpening
- Injury Care
- Taping & Wrapping Skills
- Communication skills within a team
- General Preparation and Organization

THE PROCESS

- **Applications** must be received into the Hockey Alberta Office on or before **February 13, 2012**
- Applicants will be notified once the deadline has passed.



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SELECTION CRITERIA

The following categories detail the criteria employed in the selection process for staffing Team Alberta Programs. These are only guidelines and welcome everyone interested in applying:

a) Professional Development

- Qualifications and certification attained - (CPR/First Aid, Hockey Canada Safety Program, Sport First Responder, CATA Certification, Certificate or Diploma in Sport Physiotherapy, Certification Candidate in CATA or Sport Physiotherapy, SMCA Athletic First Aid, SMCA Sports Taping)
- Attendance and participation at related seminars
- Education
- Memberships and affiliations

b) Experience

- Years of experience in your selected field
- Scope of experience (teams, responsibilities, events, tournament play)
- Years of experience with this level of athlete
- Previous zone or provincial experience (preference given to experience in Team Alberta programs)

c) Hockey Support Staff Experience

- Experience in prevention, recognition, assessment and care of athletic injuries of a hockey nature, including return to play decisions
- Must be able to handle/repair equipment, sharpen skates and respond to needs of athletes in a competitive hockey environment.
- Must have experience in athletic taping and strapping.
- Experience in physical fitness training and testing
- Implementing a practical team nutrition program.
- Must be experienced with the needs of elite athletes and be willing to spend long hours ensuring equipment and team needs are being met as assigned by head Coach and Director of Operations.

d) Human Resources

- Proven ability to take initiative and efficiently use time
- Proven ability to work with other staff
- Proven ability to successfully relate to and work with players at this age level
- Proven ability to successfully cope with deterrents and hardships in a pressure situation
- Proven ability to be thoroughly organized

e) Knowledge of Program

- Proven ability to work towards objectives of a program
- Proven appreciation for and awareness of the unique problems that can conceivably occur in the operation of a zone team

**** Preference will be given to CATA Certified Therapists; Certificate or Diploma holders in Sport Physiotherapy or Certification Candidates in CATA or Sport Physiotherapy****



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PROGRAM TIMELINES AND EXPECTED COMMITMENT

All support staff are expected to commit to the following activities for their desired program:

Program	Activity	Date/Location
Alberta Cup	<i>Zone Camps</i>	<i>March 30 – April 1, 2012 (various locations)</i>
	<i>Team Training</i>	<i>April 13-15, 2012 (various locations)</i>
	<i>Competition</i>	<i>April 25-29, 2012 (Lethbridge, AB)</i>

SPECIAL INFORMATION

Please also note that these positions are not paid positions. Your expenses, including mileage, meals and accommodation costs will be accommodated through the program as budgeted. **Also, all staff are required to complete a Criminal Record Check.** Bearing all of the above in mind, we would ask all those interested in submitting an application to forward the attached application, completed, to the Hockey Alberta office as indicated.

Send Completed Application by February 13, 2012 to:

Hockey Alberta (Attn: Mike Kraichy)
#1, 7875-48 Ave.
Red Deer, AB T4P 2K1

Email: mkraichy@hockeyalberta.ca
Phone: 403-342-6777
Fax: 403-346-4277



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3. Related Seminars/Symposiums attended.

_____	Year _____
_____	Year _____
_____	Year _____

4. Hockey Alberta/Team Alberta Program Involvement?

_____	Year _____
_____	Year _____
_____	Year _____
_____	Year _____

5. List any special volunteer experience in hockey or sport:

<i>Experience</i>

1. Current Position _____

Current Team _____ Level _____

Minor Hockey Association/Club Association _____

President/General Manager _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

2. List your most significant sport experiences: (team, year, level)

Team	Sport	Year	Level <i>(Midget/College)</i>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____



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3. References

Name: _____
Address: _____ Phone: _____
Position/Team: _____ Email: _____

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Pre-Task Questions

* On a separate piece of paper, please answer, in detail, the following question:

1. Indicate what benefits you feel you will gain from participation with the Team Alberta Program.
2. Personal Ambitions/Goals: *(Where would you like to be?)*
 - a. Short Term (1-3 years)
 - b. Long Term (3-5 years)