



Overview:

The Advanced Coaching Diploma Program is the pinnacle of a coaches' education in National Certification Program. ACD coaches are recognized as being among the most qualified coaches and leaders of athletes and sport programs provincially, national and internationally.

The Diploma consists of four core themes, Coaching Leadership, Coaching Effectiveness, Performance Planning, and Training and Competition Readiness. Each them requires coaches to complete a series of modules comprised of several 3 hour units of in-classroom sessions, seminars, workshops and labs. Coaches are evaluated in each module based on their ability to demonstrate competency in coaching developing athletes.

Applicants are encouraged to read eligibility information noted here and ensure they meet the criteria before beginning the application. If eligible, please review and complete the application and all requested supplementary information.

Support4Sport will fund one \$2,000 scholarship per PSO, per Advanced Coaching Diploma program cycle to support an identified candidate for the program. The purpose of this scholarship program is to support high performance coach development in Nova Scotia. Application should be made through the existing **Individual Coach Initiative** fund.

Who is Eligible:

This funding is available to coaches who are actively coaching at the provincial/regional or national levels and endorsed by their PSO

Criteria for Program Admission:

Coaches interested in applying to the program must meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Be fully certified at the Competition Development level
- ✓ Be a member in "Good Standing" with their Provincial Sport Organization and recommended by their PSO for admission to the program
- ✓ Be actively coaching at Provincial team, Canada Games, regional development team, junior national team or senior national team level
- ✓ Be able to commit to the program and its delivery schedule over a 36-month delivery period
- ✓ Participate in an Admission Interview process

- ✓ PSO **and** NSO endorsement
- ✓ Statement of commitment to cover the remaining portion of the remaining \$1500 tuition cost

The criteria that will be considered for this funding program are the following:

Application Process:

The *Support4Sport* program accepts applications for the program on a monthly basis. Ensure that all supplementary information (e.g. copy of NCCP certification card showing Competition Development certification, endorsements, partner commitments, signatures, etc) is uploaded in the submission to avoid delays with decision process.

Allocation Process:

Coaches can apply per Advanced Coaching Diploma Program cycle for funding.

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