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MEMORANDUM

TO: OMHA Member Associations
CC: OMHA Board
FROM: Richard Ropchan
Executive Director
DATE: November 05, 2009
SUBJECT: Respect in Sport - Online Speak Out Certification

The OMHA is committed to the prevention of abuse, bullying and harassment, and the education of our membership. To that end, I am pleased to announce the OMHA's partnership with Respect Group Inc. in piloting the offering of Speak Out Certification as an online e-learning option to our Members.

Respect in Sport is a grassroots online program that supports sport organizations in creating a safe environment for all participants. As a delivery partner of the Canadian Red Cross, Respect in Sport provides interactive internet-based training in abuse, bullying and harassment education and prevention.

Currently, the OMHA delivers Speak Out Certification through:

- The stand-alone Speak Out Classroom clinic.
- Speak Out integrated into Coach Stream and Development 1 coaching clinics.

With online Speak Out e-learning and certification through Respect in Sport, the OMHA offers another option to OMHA Members seeking this certification. This option will allow participants to complete the certification at a time and place that is convenient to them. The program also allows participants to complete the certification in segments, over a maximum 30-day time period, thus providing additional flexibility.

Respect in Sport online e-learning will also be linked to the Hockey Canada Registry (HCR), ensuring successful OMHA participant certification will be uploaded to the HCR upon completion.

Visit the OMHA website at www.omha.net for information and details on accessing this training and Certification.

We are hopeful that this additional opportunity for our Members to access this important education will enhance the OMHA's leadership in ensuring the safest possible environment for our participants.

Sincerely

ONTARIO MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Richard Ropchan
Executive Director

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