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Coaches will be able to:

- Institute emergency planning
- Develop an effective injury prevention program
- Ensure safety in practice
- Evaluate players equipment
- Prepare medical history records



SAFETY AND PREVENTION

Activity - Working in pairs...

- How can you reduce the risk of injuries occurring in your hockey team?
 - Warm-up
 - Correct equipment
 - Drill design
 - Correct teaching techniques
 - Playing area
 - Safe Vs Unsafe behaviours
 - Physical conditioning
 - etc...



EMERGENCY PLANNING

What needs to be included in an emergency action plan?

- Location of nearest hospital
- Emergency phone numbers
- Action plan and responsibilities
 - Who will provide first aid?
 - Who will call the ambulance?
- Medical history file



LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Major considerations

- Duty of care
- Negligence
- Foreseeability



DUTY OF CARE

- An obligation recognised by law, to conform to a particular standard of conduct for the protection of others against unreasonable risks

- An obligation to maintain standards that reduce risk...



DUTY OF CARE

Duty of care changes with...

- Age of player
- Ability of player
- Physical capability
- Foreseeability
- Type of activity

(duty of care - not transferable)



NEGLIGENCE

The doing of something that a reasonable person would
Not have done ...

or

The not doing of something that a reasonable person
Would have done



NEGLIGENCE

Three things must happen for you to be negligent:

- Did you have duty of care?
- Did you breach it? (was there something that you did, didn't do?)
- Did the accident happen because of the breach?



FORESEEABILITY

- Was the injury to the player a foreseeable one, taking into account all the circumstances?
- What measures were taken by the coach to avoid the foreseeable risk of harm or injury?
- Could it have been prevented?