

RHISP COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana Sports Program prides itself in providing quality coaches for competitive and noncompetitive sports and recreation which includes establishing a coach-athlete relationship that provides an opportunity to maximize the athlete’s development physically, mentally, socially and emotionally. All coaches are expected to abide by the Coaches Code of Conduct as established by the RHI Sports Program.

COACHES STANDARD OF BEHAVIOR

- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will treat each player as an individual, remembering the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.
- I promise to review and practice basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries of my players.
- I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.
- I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players.
- I will not cheat or engage in any form of unethical behavior that violates league rules.
- I will provide a safe sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all sports events.
- I will be knowledgeable in the rules of each sport that I coach, and I will teach these rules to my players.
- I will refrain from exhibiting behaviors that could develop into interpersonal relationships, or even create the perception of intimacy – or the desire for intimacy – with athletes.
- I will refrain from any violent or disruptive behavior, any unwelcome physical contact, and any possession of harmful weapons

GUIDELINES FOR LIMITING OR DENYING A COACH’S INVOLVEMENT

1. Admission or adjudication of involvement in abuse, neglect, sexual assault, or conduct involving violence or threat of violence.
2. Record of being charged with abuse, neglect, conduct involving violence or threat of violence, or sexual assault with corroborating information.
3. Extreme or repeated violation of the Code of Conduct.
4. Current use, possession or distribution of illegal drugs.

RHISP REQUIRES THAT ALL ADAPTIVE SPORTS COACHES REVIEW, UNDERSTAND, AND SIGN THE COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT BEFORE SPORT TRAINING BEGINS.

Print Coach’s Name

Sport

Coach’s Signature

Date

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