



## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

The Hockey Development Centre for Ontario (HDCO) and its Members adhere to all practices outlined in Hockey Canada's Safety and Risk Management guidelines and procedures and the Hockey Trainers' Certification Program (HTCP) Emergency Action Plan that is endorsed by Hockey Canada (NSO).

### **Managing Risk: Safety Requires Teamwork**

Managing risk is the process by which an organization identifies, accesses, controls, eliminates or minimizes the risk of bodily injury or financial loss arising from its activities. Accidents can happen anywhere, anytime, to anyone. In sports that involve physical contact the risk of accidents is heightened, as is the potential for serious injuries. Catastrophic injuries, such as spinal injuries, inflict tremendous hardships on injured parties and their families. Serious injuries also carry the risk of litigation, where people and organizations are sued for negligence. Risk Management is a **proactive** approach which eliminates or minimizes risks in an activity. The ultimate goal of risk management is to create safe environments which lead to the prevention of accidents and injuries before they happen. To ensure that all hockey activities (games, practices, off ice training, travel) are planned and conducted safely, an effective risk and safety management process must be implemented. For additional information contact your affiliated governing hockey association or branch.

## **RESOURCES**

[\*\*HC Safety Requires Teamwork: Safety for All\*\*](#)

[\*\*HC Risk Management & Safety Resource Manual\*\*](#)

[\*\*HC USA Travel\*\*](#)

[\*\*HTCP Emergency Action Plan\*\*](#)