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## **HEO Launches Transgender Inclusiveness Training for Team Officials**

Ottawa, ON – Hockey Eastern Ontario (HEO) along with the Hockey Northwestern Ontario (HNO) and the Ontario Hockey Federation (OHF) are pleased to announce the launch of a new training module for team officials, to support trans-inclusive hockey in Ontario, Understanding Discrimination based on Gender Identity and Gender Expression Training.

There are two modules which will educate team officials on this important topic. For team officials already assigned to a team, completion of these modules will be required by October 1, 2017. For team officials named within a month of or after October 1, they will have 30 days to complete both modules.

"Hockey Eastern Ontario believes that this training is crucial in educating our Team Officials on the subject of Trans-inclusive sport and is proud to be working with Hockey Northwestern Ontario (HNO) and the Ontario Hockey Federation (OHF) on this endeavor," said Ron McRostie, HEO President.

This process started in 2013, when a complaint to the Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario was filed against Hockey Canada alleging discrimination in services based on gender identity.

The e-modules will be available to team officials at the following link.

https://ehockey.hockeycanada.ca/ehockey/ClinicDetail.aspx?cid=111725

Coaches will receive 3 maintenance points for the certification of this course.

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