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To: Community Recreation Contacts
Community Coaches

From: TJ Roy, Program Committee Chair

Re: 2011 North American Indigenous Games

Team Alberta has participated in the North American Indigenous Games since their inception in 1990. Over the years there has been a challenge with team selection and non-payment of registration fees. The non-payment of registration fees has resulted in a significant build up of debt over these years.

For the 2011 North American Indigenous Games, the Indigenous Sport Council (Alberta) will not be borrowing any money through their bank to offset registration fees, uniform costs or travel.

Registration/ Membership Fees

- That all participants in play downs and Games selection will be assessed a membership fee (to ISCA) of \$50.00.
- That all play down registration fees must be paid 30 days prior to the commencement of play down or team trial.
- That all athletes will pay an initial fee of \$225.00 (\$175.00 registration fee plus the \$50.00 membership fee) to participate in the Provincial Play downs. Athletes who do not qualify will receive a refund of their total registration fee, with the exclusion of the membership fee. For those who qualify for Team Alberta, the balance of \$125.00 must be paid within one month after the completion of the Provincial Play downs for their particular sport.

Play Downs/ Selection Camps

- That all sport play downs be recognized as Provincial Championships.
- There will be no Bantam age participants be sent to the 2011 NAIG.
- All team sports will require a minimum of four (4) teams from four (4) communities in the particular age groups to be considered for inclusion in the 2011 NAIG.
- In some sports there may not be four age group teams from four communities. In such cases these teams will have to provide proof of participation in a recognized league and outside assessment of abilities to participate at high level competition such as NAIG.
- That all individual sports participants must participate in a recognized play down or training camp selection process.
- That all play down be completed by August 31st, 2010.

2008 NAIG Outstanding Registration Fee

- That participants/ communities who have outstanding 2008 NAIG registration fees may be ineligible for participation in Provincial Play downs selecting the 2011 NAIG participants.

Coaching Certification

- That all coaches must have completed Level 2 – Technical, Practical and Theory in the sport in which they will be coaching.

I am sure that some of you may have concerns with this direction, if so we need to hear your comments and suggestions as to how to address registration fees, play downs etc.

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