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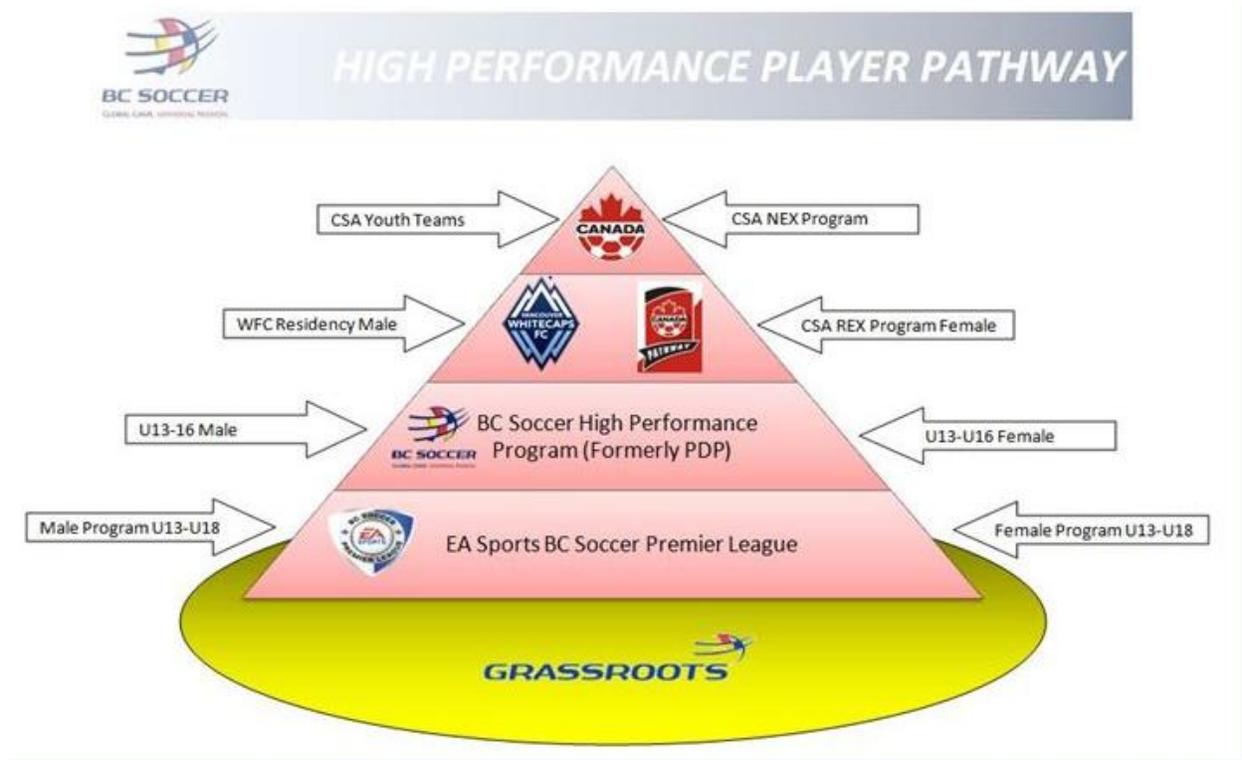
High Performance Programing

The establishment of a recognized structure for the development of the game and its participants within British Columbia is a key component to the delivery of the BC Soccer strategy for a "Player First" mentality to development. The creation of such a structure will assist the Soccer Development Department in becoming more efficient and progressive in implementing a Province wide Development programming.

It has become essential to the long-term success of Player Development within British Columbia that BC Soccer and its Soccer Development Department take the lead in establishing, guiding and monitoring a recognized path for the development of players within British Columbia.

This initiative includes the partnering of our member Clubs, Districts and Professional Club (the Vancouver Whitecaps FC) into our overall Pathway of Development (Please see diagram below).

BC Soccer High Performance Development Pathway





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BC Soccer High Performance Program selections for all phases will be made within the following environments;

1. Scouted through EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League training and match play environments
2. Recommended by EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League Technical Director
3. Evaluation and assessment within ongoing High Performance Program Activities
4. Positional Specific needs of the age group
5. Additional scouting procedures will be delivered through member club Head Coach Recommendations, and or BC Soccer's regional scouting program and regional visits.

The game within British Columbia provides a number of unique challenges to the overall delivery of player development programming. These challenges include the addressing of the geographical make up of our Province and the harmonization of player and coaching development. The following additional criteria address these challenges and outline additional details on the recognized evaluation and selection process.

It is a key high performance development strategy of BC Soccer to have all players who aspire or are seen to possess the required high performance competencies to ultimately be playing within the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League which will expose those players to the appropriate high performance training and match play environment and competition platform.

However for those players who are interested in being evaluated and assessed for potential selection to the High Performance Program may do so through the following process;

Players may be recommended to BC Soccer Development Staff by a member club technical director or team head coach at **ANY TIME**. Player Recommendations must be submitted on the following Player Recommendation Form which can be downloaded by clicking on the following link:

Link: [Player Recommendation Form](#)

Following the receipt of a player recommendation form players may be scouted by BC Soccer Development Staff and/or an EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League club technical staff member or designated trained scout/coach to gain further insight on this player's potential for further evaluation, recommendation and selection. These recommendations may be considered for any or all High Performance Program phases if they meet the required standard.

It is recommended that those players who aspire to enter the high performance stream of play should also first contact a regional based EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League member club to gain information on potential assessment and their age specific player evaluation schedule. See below for member club contact for further information on the EA Sports BC SPL please click on the following

Link: [EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League](#)





In conjunction with BC Soccer's grassroots development program, BC soccer trained regional scouting network of coaches and BC Soccer regional visits, scouting will be conducted to assess those recommended and / or identify those players as potential high performance players. These assessments and evaluations will provide guidance and recommendation for those players aspiring and who display the potential qualities to participate within BC Soccer's high performance development stream and its recommended training and match play environments.

Further evaluation may take place within a high performance environment to ascertain the player's competencies as it relates to the required standard of play within the high performance stream.

In addition, any player who meets the required standard to play within a high performance environment including the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League and the BC Soccer High Performance Program, will be advised to best continue their development as a potential high performance player they should make the efforts to advance their experience within the high performance environment by contacting a recognized EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League member club regarding opportunities to participate within the program moving forward.

It continues to be the long term goal of BC Soccer to provide a fully funded High Performance Program. In pursuit of this goal BC Soccer has reduced the cost for a selected player while maintaining the level of BC Soccer's support and continuing to deliver the overall quality and integrity of the program of which its participants have come to expect within the High Performance Program. It has been determined that the overall cost for a player who is selected for all three (3) phases will not exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000). **This includes travel, accommodation, food, apparel and program support.*

In support of high performance development within BC, the male players U13 through U16 which have been selected to become members of the Vancouver Whitecaps FC Full-Time Residency program will continue not be involved within EA SPORTS BCSPL and the BC Soccer High Performance Program. This is to enable those players to continue within their planned development with the Vancouver Whitecaps FC which includes play within the USSDA league and the ultimate goal of advancing into the professional stream of play. This will also provide an opportunity to expand the secondary level of play to assist in the development of players within the high performance stream of play. The female players who have been selected to the Vancouver Whitecaps FC Girls Elite REX Program in partnership with BC Soccer will not continue to be involved with the EA SPORTS BCSPL and the BC Soccer High Performance Program.

BC Soccer, Vancouver Whitecaps FC and the Canadian Soccer Association will continue to work in partnership to develop players for the high performance stream. High Performance Program Phases acts as a valuable vehicle for the continued evaluation and potential selection for Vancouver Whitecaps FC Full-Time Residency programming and Vancouver Whitecaps FC Girls Elite REX Program in partnership with BC Soccer.

