# Inclusive Physical Literacy Moving to Universal Accessibility

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#### Agenda

- 1. What is Physical Literacy?
- 2. What is Inclusive Physical Literacy?
- 3. Why is it important?
- 4. What is Universal Accessibility?
- 5. Promising Practices
- 6. Portal and Workshops
- 7. Q&A
- 8. Thanks





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**RBC** Learn to Play Project



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Agence de la santé publique du Canada



## Physical Literacy Defined



**Definition of Physical Literacy** 

Physical literacy is the motivation, confidence, physical competence, knowledge and understanding to value and take responsibility for engagement in physical activities for life.

International Physical Literacy Association, May, 2014







#### The Elements of Physical Literacy

The definition of physical literacy includes four essential and interconnected elements whose relative importance may change throughout life.



#### **Motivation and confidence** (Affective)

Motivation and confidence refers to an individual's enthusiasm for, enjoyment of, and self-assurance in adopting physical activity as an integral part of life.



#### Physical competence (Physical)

Physical competence refers to an individual's ability to develop movement skills and patterns, and the capacity to experience a variety of movement intensities and durations. Enhanced physical competence enables an individual to participate in a wide range of physical activities and settings.



#### **Knowledge and understanding (Cognitive)**

Knowledge and understanding includes the ability to identify and express the essential qualities that influence movement, understand the health benefits of an active lifestyle, and appreciate appropriate safety features associated with physical activity in a variety of settings and physical environments.



#### **Engagement in physical activities for life** (Behavioural)

Engagement in physical activities for life refers to an individual taking personal responsibility for physical literacy by freely choosing to be active on a regular basis. This involves prioritizing and sustaining involvement in a range of meaningful and personally challenging activities, as an integral part of one's lifestyle.

# Unstructured play is EXTINCT! Gone the way of the dinosaur.





"Come home when the street lights come on!" never to be heard again!

#### Playgrounds empty!





"Walk to School" has been eradicated in ONE generation.
2000 steps a day gone.

## Why is physical literacy important?

Ability to function independently



Life is a physical event



A base for many jobs



Foundation of excellence



Helps in relationships



PHYSICAL LITERACY is the base of excellence and being active for life!





## Literacy Model "Skill Based Literacies"

Literacy

**Numeracy** 

Music

ABC

• 123

Do-re-mi

Words

Fractions

• Scale

Sentences

Equations

Score



- Movement vocabulary
- Sequences
- Tasks







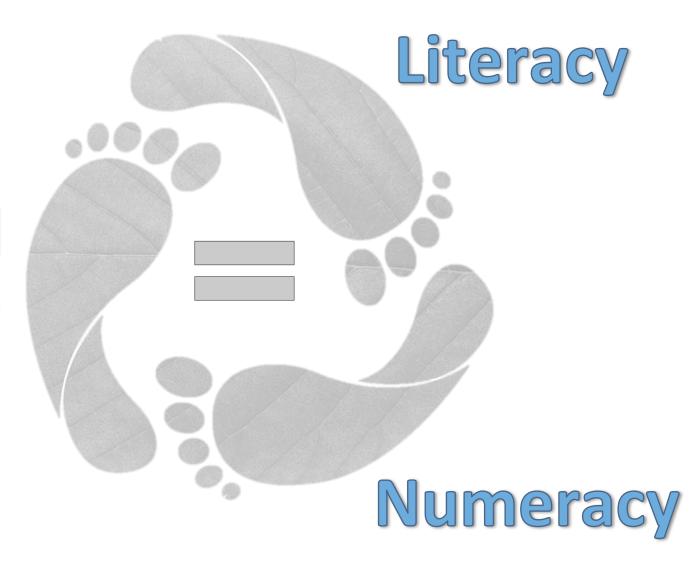








# Physical Literacy





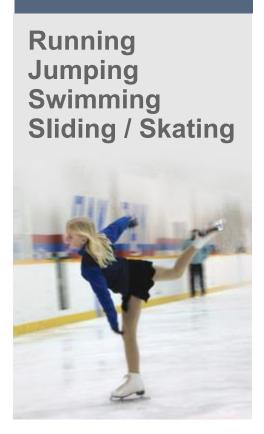


#### Types of fundamental movement skills

#### **BODY**



#### **LOCOMOTOR**



#### **OBJECT**









### Physical literacy in a range of environments







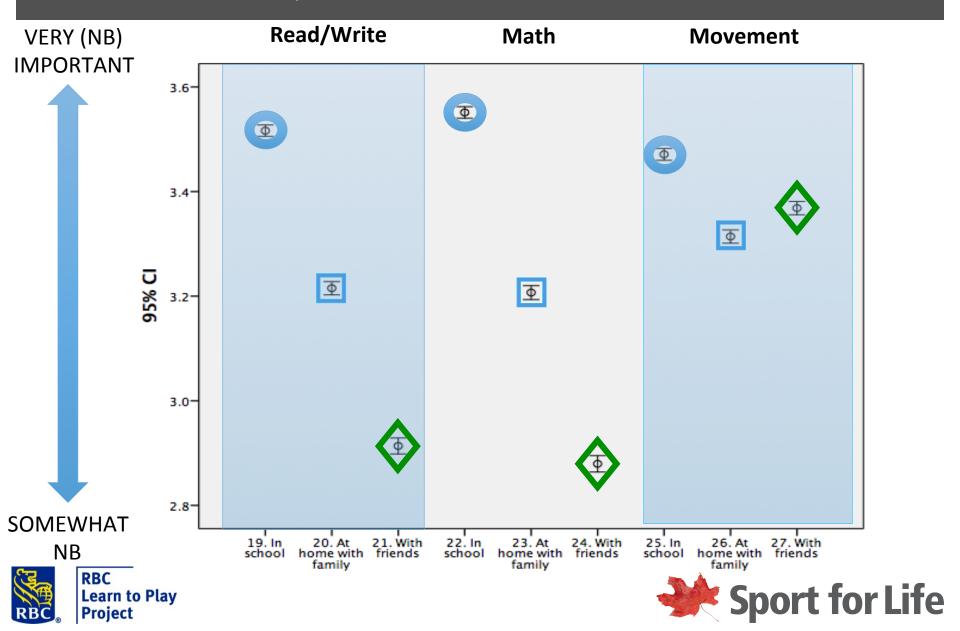
## Physical literacy







## Perceived Importance of Skill Based



## Physical literacy

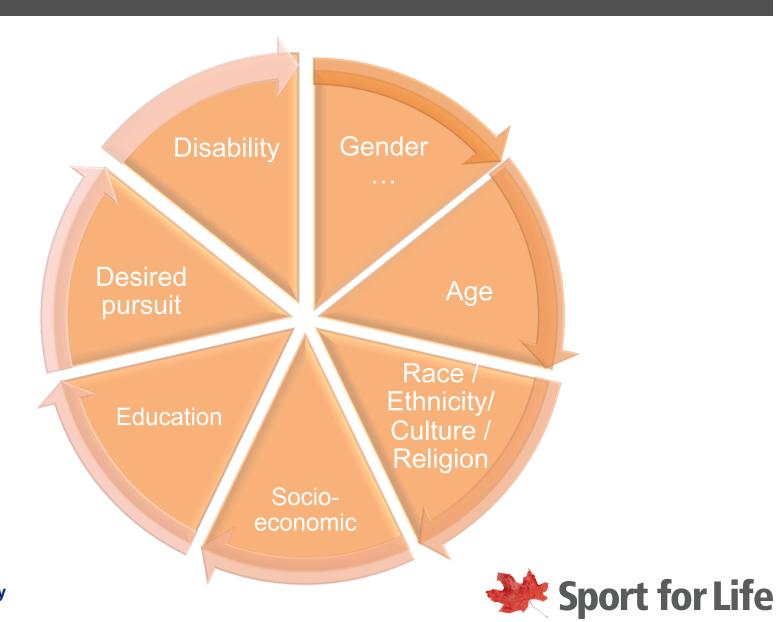
#### Physical literacy:

- is an inclusive concept accessible to all
- represents a unique journey for each individual
- can be cultivated and enjoyed through a range of experiences in different environments and contexts
- needs to be valued and nurtured throughout life
- contributes to the development of the whole person.





### The inclusion spectrum (D. Kriellaars)





## Types of disabilities

- Auditory
- Visual
- Physical
- Cognitive
- Autism spectrum
- Invisible/mental health
- Health (disease)





## Why Have Inclusive Physical Literacy?

Physical literacy is intrinsically inclusive

 We need to be deliberately inclusive of everybody

And more specifically, of people living with a disability





### Why You Should Care?

#### 14.3% of Canadians have a disability...

	Adults with a disability	Able-bodied adults
Poor health	25%	<5%
Moderate physical activity	3%*	48%
Organized sport	3%*	30%

<sup>\*</sup>Age range is 5-54 years

(Advancing the Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities, 2004; Physical Activity Monitor, CFLRI 2008; Physical Activity and Limitation Survey, 2006)

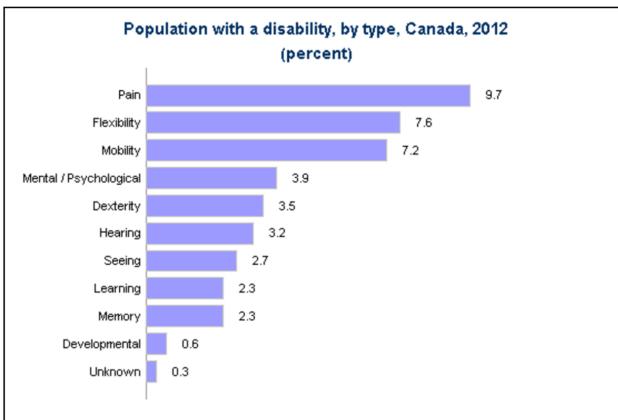




#### Disability

1 out of every 7 Canadians has a disability

1 in 68
 children are diagnosed with autism



Source: ESDC calcultations based on Statistics Canada. Canadian Survey on Disability 2012: Tables, Table 3.1 Adults with disabilities by type, sexe and age group, Canada, 2012 and Table 2.1 Adults with and without disabilities by sex and age group, Canada, 2012, Catalogue no. 89-654-X, Ottawa, 2013.

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### The Handicap is Created by the Environment







#### The Challenge

If you don't include everybody, then you are excluding somebody.





## Universal Accessibility







#### Universal Accessibility: a Definition

A product, process, service, information or environment that allows everyone:

- Independent,
- Identical or similar,
- Simultaneous use in a social inclusion approach.



## Architectural (Facility and Equipment)







### Communication







# Programs and Services







#### Attitudes







#### Promising Practices

- Special Olympics Canada
- Pacific Institute of Sport Excellence
- Défi sportif AlterGo
- Canadian Paralympic Committee
- Physical and Health Education of Canada
- Canucks Autism Network
- Let's Play





#### Who we are



Special Olympics Canada is dedicated to enriching the lives of **athletes** with an intellectual disability through sport.

Special Olympics Canada provides sport training and competitive opportunities to over **40,000** athletes supported by over **17,000** volunteer coaches.

Happening everyday in communities across Canada



## Cue the LTAD model

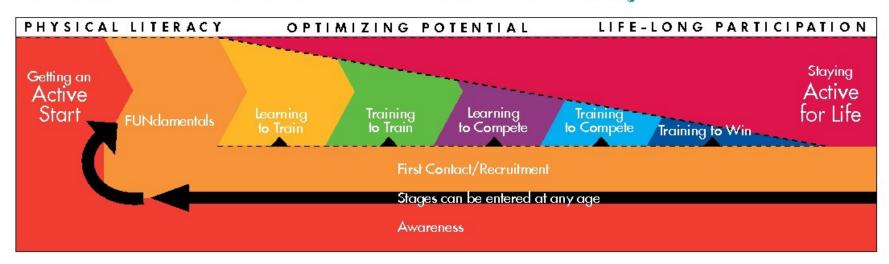


- 8 years and older
- No national program for youth
- Adults without basic motor skills





# Long-Term Athlete Development Model for Athletes with an Intellectual Disability



How long participants stay in the LTAD stages depends on when they get started and their needs and interests.

# Programs



- There were a # of programs operating in our P/T Chapters
- National initiative with an expert working

group







- Turn-Key Resource Guide
- 12 lesson plans
- Basic Fundamental Movement Skills (FMS)
- Safety
- Motor Skill Development
- Fun Day Finale



- Turn-Key Resource Guide
- 12 lesson plans
- Basic Sport Movement Skills Safety
- Motor Skill Development
- Planning an Activity
- Goals and Goal Setting
- Fun Day Finale
- Transitioning into
   Community programs

# **Equipment Kit**



#### Basic Kit through FlagHouse:

- 2 small hoops
- 2 large hoops
- 3 soft sticky balls
- 1 short rod
- 1 long rod
- 1 mesh bag
- 5 bean bag balls
- 1 set of numbered (0-9) mats
- 2 small paddles
- 2 plastic bricks
- 1 foam balance beam
- 5 scarves
- 2 foam baseballs
- 6 fleece beanbags





# Rigid -> Versatile

- In-school programs
- After-school programs
- Day-care centres
- Gymnastic clubs
- Community programs



## **Coaching Program**



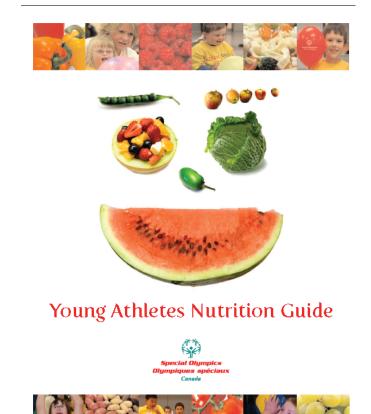
- FMS Workshop
- How to coach athletes with an
  - intellectual disability
- Safety
- Guides/Resources
- CAC approval



#### **Nutrition**



- Built into each
   FUNdamentals Activity plan
- Start athletes on the right path to a healthy lifestyle
- 40 healthy, easy, kidfocused recipes
- 10 Fun Activities



#### Parent/Caregiver Involvement



- ACTIVE participation
- Volunteers





# **Impact**



- Increase in registration numbers
- Partnerships
- Improvement in athletes' Fundamental Movement Skills
- Provincial/Territorial/National Team Programs



#### Challenges



- Growth rate → volunteers
- Identifying athletes at an early age
- Organizational awareness
- Additional activities
- Adult athletes without AS/ FUN training



## What's next?





- Transition program
- Online Presence
- Expansion resource



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# PISE's Best Practices in Delivering Inclusive Physical Literacy Programming

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#### What is PISE?

- Not-for-profit organisation
- Brings together:
  - Community sport and active healthy living development



# **Physical Literacy and PISE**

- 60 Programs
- 25 locations
- Over 4500 children
- Ages 18 months and up

#### Adapted

- 13 Programs
- 4 locations
- 120 children and youth









# **Partnering with Organisations**



















# **Family Based Approach**



- Increases sibling and parent interaction
- Parents become active role models for their children
- Reduces barriers of child care



#### **Passionate Volunteers**



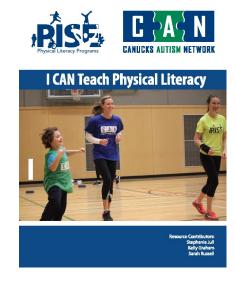
- Students from Sport
   Programs at Camosun and
   University of Victoria
- Consistent volunteers helps build rapport with participants
- Reduces participant to staff ratio from 5:1 to 1:1
- Volunteer retention leads to future job opportunities with PISE

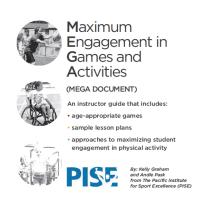


#### **PISE Resources**

- Maximum Engagement in Games and Activities (MEGA) activeforlife.com
- MEGA 2.0- includes adaptations and game variations for inclusive physical literacy programs
- I CAN Teach Physical Literacy- <u>piseworld.com</u>









## Défi sportif AlterGo April 25<sup>th</sup> to May 1<sup>st</sup>

Presented by Maryse Filion



# A World unique event

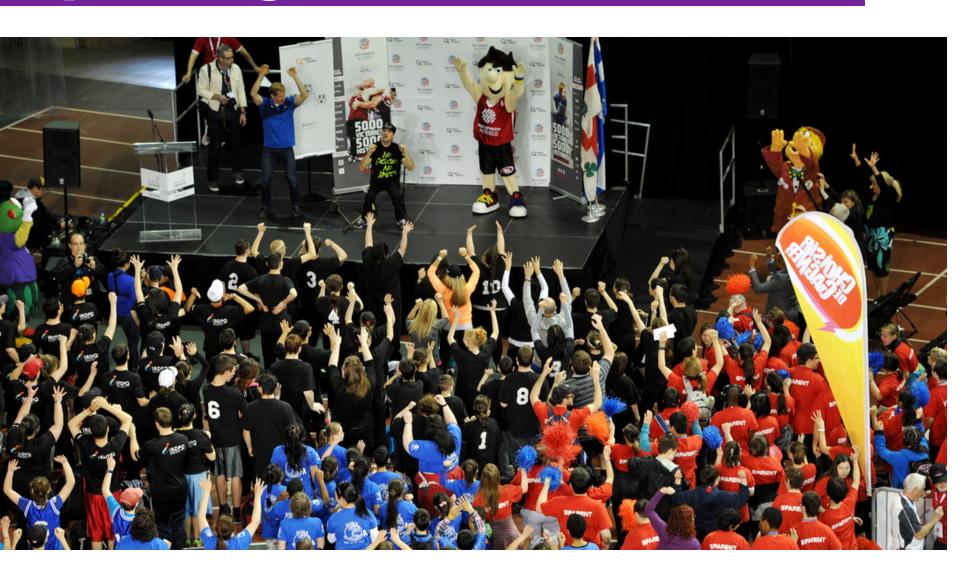




#### **Elite athletes**



# Upcoming athletes

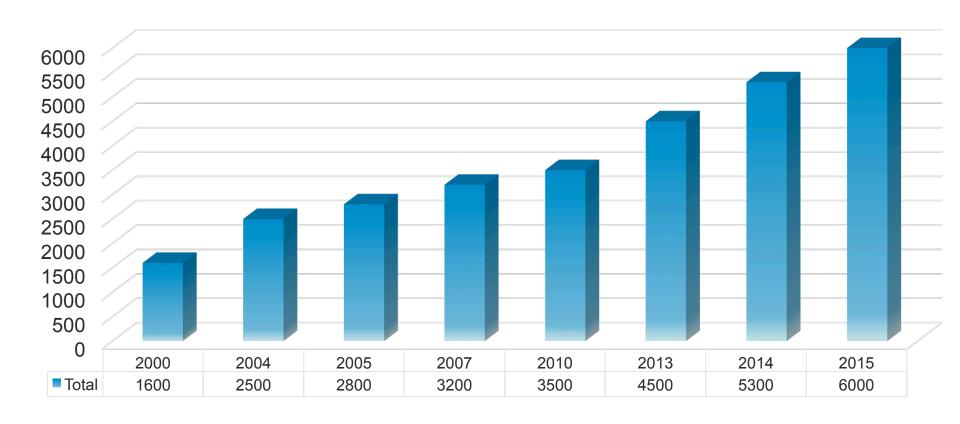


#### Volunteers: the heart and the soul





# Reaching new heights



# Be your best











#### Be your best

To make more young Quebecers with a disability are able to adopt an active lifestyle as a result of the manifested leadership and influence of Defi sportif AlterGo.









#### Two major goals

Encourage young Quebecers with a disability to easily adopt healthy and active lifestyles through education, awareness, support and sport participation.

Work to eliminate any systemic barriers that prevent young Quebecers with a disability to embrace active and healthy lifestyles.

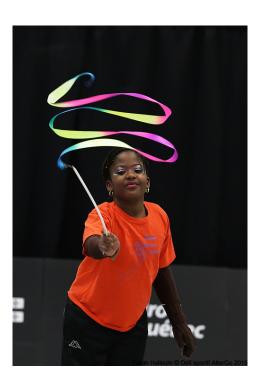




#### Realisations











#### **UQTR**



Choisir de Gagner : Le défi des saines habitudes de vie pour les jeunes ayant une limitation fonctionnelle



Rapport sur l'étude des facteurs facilitant l'adoption de saines habitudes de vie et la pratique d'activités physiques et sportives par les jeunes ayant une limitation fonctionnelle



Mai 2013

Une initiative du



rendue possible grâce au soutien et à l'appui financier de





## Choisirdegagner.com













#### Thank you!

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# CANADIAN PARALYMPIC COMMITTEE

Presented by Amber Muir



#### WHO WE ARE

#### **Our mission**

To lead the development of a sustainable Paralympic sport system in Canada to enable athletes to reach the podium at the Paralympic Games.



#### SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT & EDUCATION

- Educational programming
- Outreach initiatives
- Athlete recruitment & development activities
- Support local and provincial organizations
- ✓ Increase awareness
- ✓ Support sustainable opportunities
- ✓ Drive participation



#### LTAD FOR ATHLETES WITH IMPAIRMENTS





#### LTAD - May Look a Little Different

- Awareness and First Involvement
  - Additional stages
- Timing of impairment acquisition
  - Congenital/childhood/late
- Sport specificity
  - Opportunities, Classification



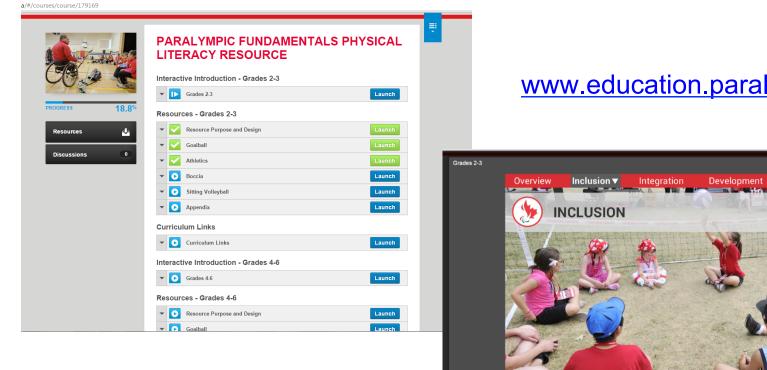


#### AWARENESS – Paralympic Schools Week





#### THE PARALYMPIC FUNDAMENTALS RESOURCE



www.education.paralympic.ca

Safety



#### THE PARALYMPIC FUNDAMENTALS RESOURCE

- First of its kind internationally
- Inclusive, integrated approach (not an add-on)
- Parasport as vehicle to promote physical literacy
- Online, interactive tool Phase II & videos under development
- Grades 2-6, linked to provincial curriculum
- Low cost/no equipment
- Support for family activities at home



#### Athletics, Sitting Volleyball, Boccia, Goalball











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**THANKS!** 

## **Fundamental Movement Skills Resource Series**

Tricia Zakaria Program Manager

**Physical and Health Education Canada** 





#### **Fundamental Movement Skills Series**

The **Fundamental Movement Skills** (FMS) resources are designed to support generalists teachers, physical education specialists, and coaches, as well as others tasked with teaching motor skill development.

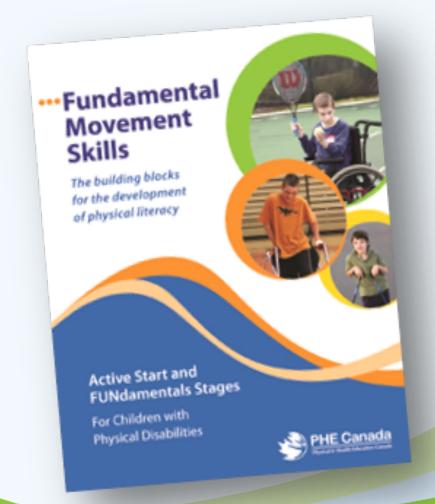




www.phecanada.ca/store/books/fms-series-2.html

#### Fundamental Movement Skills Resource

Active Start & FUNdamentals Stages For Children with Physical Disabilities





#### Children with Physical and/or Sensory Disabilities

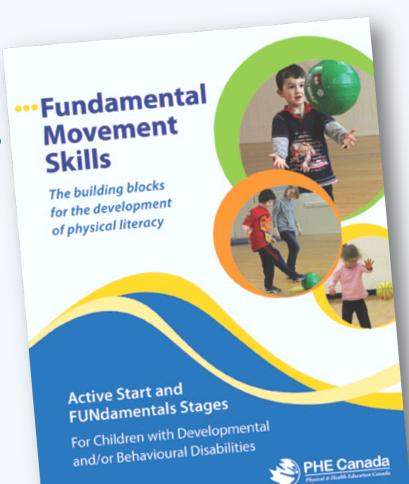
- Children with cerebral palsy
- Children with a spinal cord injury
- Children with spina bifida
- Children with an amputation
- Children with a visual impairment
- Children with a hearing impairment





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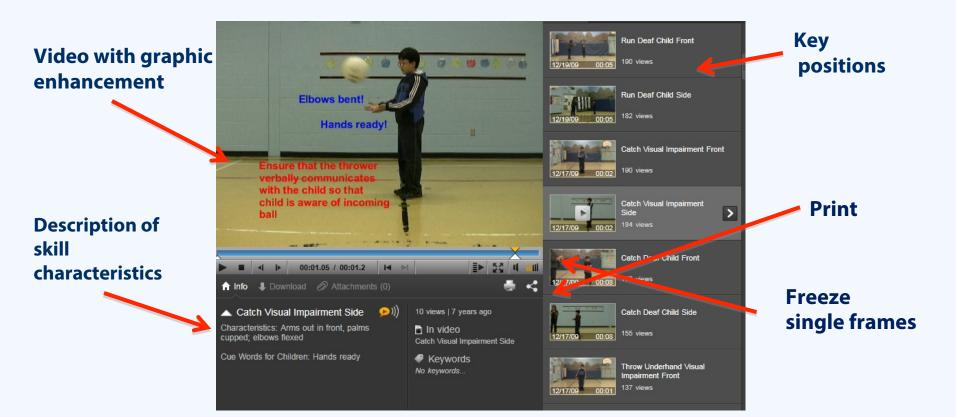
## Children with Developmental and/or Behavioural Disabilities

- Children with Down syndrome
- Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Children with a global developmental delay (with or without a specific diagnosis)
- Children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- Children with Developmental Coordination Disorder
- Children with Oppositional Defiant Disorder





#### **Online Video Collection**



www.phecanada.ca/resources/fms-videos



#### Thank you!

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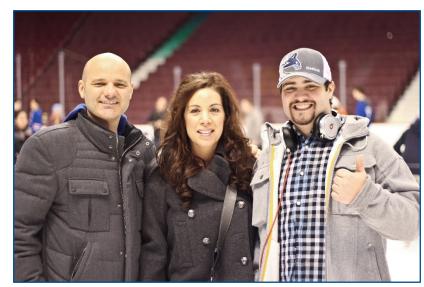
# Inclusive Physical Literacy February 25, 2016



Caitlyn Van Dijk, Physical Literacy Program Coordinator



- Non-profit founded in 2008
- Mission: To provide year round, innovative, high quality sports, recreational and social programs for individuals and families living with autism, and to build awareness and capacity through community
  - networks across BC
- \$25/year to access programs
- 1:1 support is provided

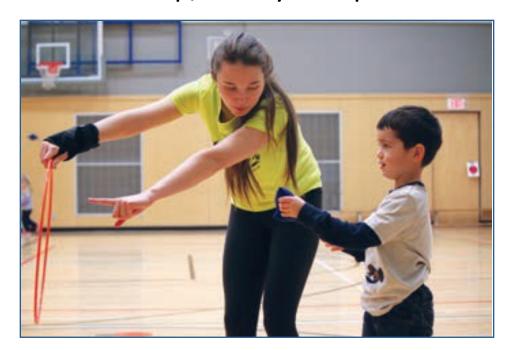


#### Canucks Autism Network

#### Programs offered in BC:

- Physical Literacy
- Soccer
- Basketball
- Swim
- Skate
- Hockey
- Music
- Gymnastics
- Ski/Snowboard
- Yoga
- Fitness

- Bike Camps
- Multisport Camp
- Outdoor Recreation
- Family Adventures
- Kids Camp/Family Camp





Community Festivals

CANLICKS ALITISM NETWORK

- Events
- Conferences
- Workshops



#### **Awareness: Community Events**



#### WORKSHOP: MAY 30 READY, SET, COACH!

Sponsored by: Autism Society of BC

#### **Supporting Children with Autism in Community Recreation**

Presented by Stephanie Jull, PhD, BCBA-D, Program Director at Canucks Autism Network







WHEN: Saturday, May 30th, from 9:30am-2:30pm

WHERE: The Westerly Hotel & Convention Centre

COST: The event is FREE but spots are limited.

REGISTER: RSVP to comoxvalleyautismparentgroup@gmail.com

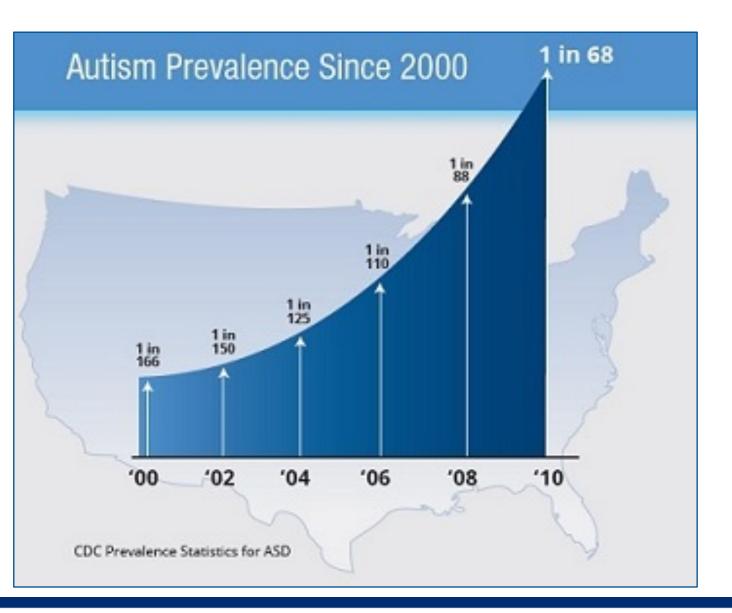
ADDITIONAL INFO: A light lunch will be provided.

canucksautism.ca





#### **Training**





#### Autism

Current estimate (2014) from US Centers for Disease Control:



1 in 68 children; 1 in 42 boys



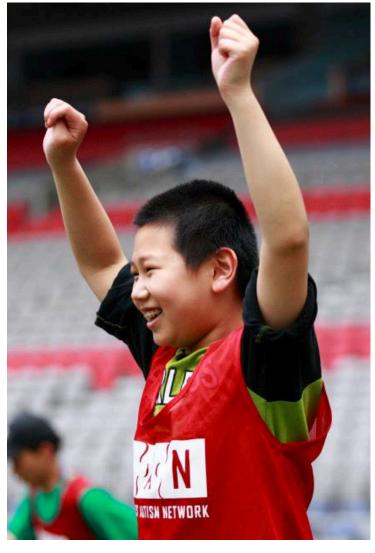
#### **Autism Prevalence**





- Physical activity is important for health and well-being
- Provides the confidence and competence for an individual to be active for life

#### Why Physical Literacy?





- Consistently lower amongst children, adolescents & adults (Orsmond, Krauss, & Seltzer, 2004)
- Less active, especially into adolescence and beyond (Pan & Frey, 2006)

#### Participation in Recreation

 1 hour lessons, once per week, for 6 weeks



 10 participants with autism aged 3-6 and 7-11

 Supported by 2 coaches, 9 support workers and 5 volunteers

• 17 programs in 2015/2016



#### **CAN: Physical Literacy Program**

Pacific Institute for Sports Excellence (PISE)





PacificSport Vancouver Island



City of Surrey (I AM Game)

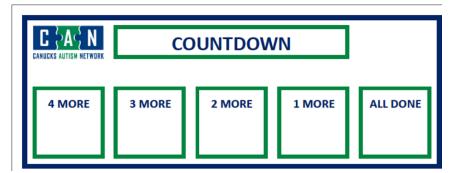


#### **CAN: Program Partners**

- Visual supports
- Activity adaptations
- Equipment modifications
- Communication tools
- Prompting









#### **CAN: Support Strategies**









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Canucks Autism Network:

http://www.canucksautism.ca/

Canucks Autism Network Physical Literacy:

http://www.canucksautism.ca/Programs/Sports\_Programs/Physical\_Literacy.htm

- CAN/PISE I CAN Develop Physical Literacy Resources http://piseworld.com/physical-literacy-resources/
  - Caitlyn Van Dijk Program Coordinator caitlyn@canucksautism.ca 604-685-4049 ext 209

#### Contact Info



### Let's Play

A division of BC Wheelchair Basketball Society



#### What is Let's Play?

- •An innovative equipment program to promote physical literacy for children with physical disabilities ages 4 years and up.
- •We provides support and resources to teachers and community leaders to deliver inclusive play opportunities.
- •We focus on play and physical activity not rehabilitation.





#### We believe:



#### Every child has the right to play.







Children with disabilities are not their disabilities. They need to be challenged like any other child.





When children play, they gain strength, confidence, self-esteem, problem-solving skills & social skills.





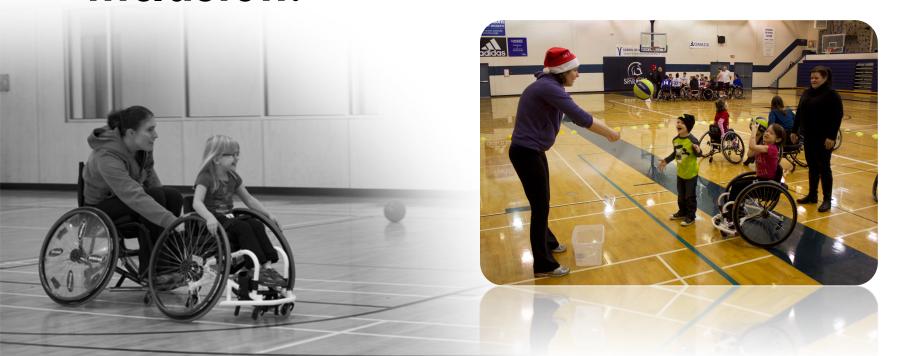
When children learn physical literacy and wheelchair movements skills at a young age, they build a strong foundation that will lead to an active life, including possible para-sport participation.







# Both children with disabilities and able-bodied children benefit from inclusion.



**Program Successes** 

Let's Play kids transitioning into wheelchair sports programs 60 Children with Let's Play wheelchairs



Inventory of 165 child sized sport wheelchairs

Active in 25 cities in BC

Community
Chair
Champion
partnerships

# We ignite kids' passion for play, giving kids the confidence to dream big.



#### The Let's Play Program has been made possible by....



- The Rick Hansen Institute
- Canadian Tire JumpStart
- Canadian Paralympic Committee
- •The Province of British Columbia •The Vancouver Foundation.
- ViaSport
- BCWSA
- Variety –The Children's Charity
- The Woodward Foundation

- Imagine (Northern Health)
- TELUS Vancouver Community

**Board** 





#### Inclusive Physical Literacy Project

- Funded through RBC Learn to Play Initiative
- Development of theorical framework of Inclusive Physical Literacy
- Development of Physical Literacy 501 workshops
- Integration of Inclusive Physical Literacy in Physical Literacy 101-201-301
- Web portal
- Pilot sessions of Physical Literacy 501
  - Victoria BC on March 29th (English pilot)
  - Quebec TBA (French pilot)
- Series of Inclusive Physical Literacy Video





#### Thank you!

#### Comments and questions!



#### Thank you!

#### Check out the Portal:

http://www.physicalliteracy.ca/inclusion



