

## BC Soccer encourages enrollment in ViaSport's free "Bystander Intervention in Sport" training course.



We all have a responsibility when witnessing harassment or abuse at a sporting event. Most people freeze in these situations, because they don't have the tools to intervene, or are worried about compromising their own safety.

ViaSport has partnered with Right to Be to customize their Bystander Intervention in Sport Course, with free sessions happening now for any member of the sport community whether you are a participant, coach, parent, or someone who just wants to get better at speaking up when things aren't right.

Bystander intervention gives participants tools to intervene without compromising their own safety. When you intervene, you don't just reduce trauma for the person being maltreated. You also start to help chip away at the culture that allows maltreatment to be so prevalent.

There are several free webinars scheduled in the coming weeks, and you are encouraged to register, and invite others to join you by [visiting this page and booking your session](#).

*Safe Sport Statement: BC Soccer believes that everyone involved in soccer has the right to participate in safe and inclusive environments free of abuse, harassment, discrimination, and to enjoy the sport at whatever level or capacity they participate in. The welfare of everyone involved in soccer is the foremost consideration and in particular, the protection of children in the sport is the responsibility of everyone involved.*

