



**To: All Synchro Swim Ontario members**

**From: Synchro Swim Ontario**

**Date: January 29, 2015**

**Re: 2015-16 SPF T2T HPAD Selection**

### **2015-2016 T2T HPAD Program**

The two-year Ministry of Tourism, Culture & Sport Priority Funding “Train to Train” High Performance Athlete Development Program targeting athletes aged 11-13 will continue for its second year from September 2015 to March 2016. Selection for the 2015-2016 “Train to Train” High Performance Athlete Development Program will be based on athlete results at 2015 competitions. Specific selection to the 2015-2016 program for athletes competing in the 10&U and 11-12 Age Groups in 2015 will be as follows:

**Eligibility:** Selection is open to ALL athletes that are 11-13 years of age as of December 31, 2016 and who are members in good standing of Synchro Swim Ontario.

**Byes:** The privilege of granting byes will be given at the discretion of the Synchro Swim Ontario High Performance Selection Committee. The bye process must be followed including proper and official written documentation by the athlete requesting a bye (written explanation, doctor’s note, etc.).

**Authority for Selection:** The final decision-making authority to determine which athletes will be selected to the 2015-2016 T2T HPAD Program will rest with the Synchro Swim Ontario HP/Technical Lead. The Director, Sport Development is responsible for ensuring that the process outlined in this document is properly followed and that the selection process is fair and equitable for all candidates. The Director, Sport Development reserves the right to ask other Synchro Swim Ontario representatives to help and support her in this task.

**Notification of Selection & Registration:** Selection to the 2015-2016 “Train to Train” High Performance Athlete Development Program will be communicated by June 30, 2015. Notification of successful athletes will be communicated first to the Head Coach and Club President of the Club of the selected athlete. The Head Coach and Club President will then be asked to forward the attached registration package to the athlete’s parents. Registration will require that the athletes’ parents, Club President and Head Coach sign off on the Registration Form agreeing that they support full participation in all of the training session dates (which will be communicated at this time). The registration fee for the program will be the same as 2013-14 at \$450.00.

## **Selection:**

Overall goal of selection is to have 50% of the athletes aged 13 (as of December 31, 2016) and 50% of the athletes aged 11 and 12 (as of December 31, 2016).

- 1) The 10 members of the 2015 11-12 Provincial Team selected as per the 2015 11-12 Provincial Team Selection Criteria (athletes who are aged 11 or 12 as of December 31, 2015).
- 2) Excluding any athletes who were members of the 2015 11-12 Provincial Team, ensure there are at least 10 athletes in total aged 13 as of December 31, 2016 selected into the 2015-16 T2T HPAD Program (*Example – 6 athletes on the 2015 Provincial Team will be 13 as of December 13, 2016, therefore the additional 4 athletes who will be 13 as of December 13, 2016 will be selected to the program so the total is brought up to 10*). Selection will be based on the analysis of figure results by the Synchro Swim Ontario HP/Technical Lead at the 2015 Provincial Championships, 2015 Age Group Championships, 2015 Trillium 12&U Championships, 2015 Espoir Championships (if applicable) and 11-12 Provincial Team Trials (if applicable).
- 3) Excluding any athletes who were members of the 2015 11-12 Provincial Team, the top 6 athletes aged 11 as of December 31, 2015 (who will be 12 as of December 31, 2016) based on the analysis of figure results by the Synchro Swim Ontario HP/Technical Lead at the 2015 Provincial Championships, 2015 Age Group Championships, 2015 Trillium 12&U Championships, 2015 Espoir Championships (if applicable) and 11-12 Provincial Team Trials (if applicable).
- 4) The top 6 10&U athletes aged 10 as of December 31, 2015 (who will be 11 as of December 31, 2016) based on the analysis of figure results by the Synchro Swim Ontario HP/Technical Lead at the 2015 Age Group Championships and 2015 Trillium 12&U Championships.
- 5) The Synchro Swim Ontario HP/Technical Lead with support from the Director, Sport Development shall have the discretion to identify and select any additional talent identified athletes aged 11-13 as of December 31, 2016 to the program.