

LC NCCP Certification Changes Summary - 2026

Coaching Standards - 2026

Community Development - U7-U13

Core Component

- Available through LGBs and also LC
- Commonly referred to as the classroom portion

Technical/Tactical Session

- Available through LGBs and also LC
- Commonly referred to as the on-floor portion
- Recommend that ALA still offer these sessions in person, even as LC allows virtual

MED

- Making Ethical Decisions is now a required course for ALL lacrosse coaches.
- The course will be moving to an e-learning module accessible through the locker April 1
- MED News
- The old evaluation will remain on the locker until the end of March.
- My understanding is that coaches who already paid and attended the old course will get free access to the new course as well (they won't have to double pay).
- \$85

Making Headway

- E-Learning Course
- Free

Understanding the Rule of Two

- E-Learning Course
- Free

Emergency Action Plan

- E-Learning Course
- Free

*All first-year coaches require Community Development training.

**Reminder: the core component is required only once across all disciplines in community development, comp intro, and comp dev. Coaches who coach multiple disciplines must complete a technical/tactical component for each discipline, but do not need additional core components.

Competitive Introduction - U15 +

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Mental Health In Sport

- E-Learning Course
- Free

Safe Sport Training

- E-Learning Course
- Free
- Has a designation for all types and levels of participation and may be a good course for all ALA members to take.

***At this point, coaches will be “Comp Intro - Trained”**

Evaluation Portfolio

- All Comp Intro coaches are now required to become certified as per LC
- Currently, this must be set up through ALA
- Not sure we have the capacity to complete this at the ALA level. LC mentions batch evals and also submitting video to them as an option. Need more clarification on this.

*All coaches U15 and forward require competitive introduction - certified status.

**LC gradation is two years to become competitive introduction - certified. This means a new coach in U15+ requires community development in year one, a comp intro clinic and evaluation in year two.

***Any coach who is currently “Comp Intro - Certified” will not be required to take any new training to keep their certified status. They will maintain their certified status throughout the changes.