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MEMORANDUM

TO: OMHA Centres
FROM: Bob Hill
Vice President, Central District
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CC: OMHA Board
DATE: August 16, 2016
SUBJECT: 4 oz. Lightweight Blue Puck

The OMHA Board passed the following amendment to policy for full implementation effective the 2016-2017 season:

2.3 Programming Below Novice

(f) The lightweight Blue Puck shall be mandatory for all hockey programs Tyke and below

Rationale:

At younger ages, teaching proper technique in passing, stickhandling and shooting through the use of age-appropriate equipment is critical to skill development.

The use of age-appropriate equipment and modified playing environment, such as Cross-Ice games, is consistent with others sports such as soccer, baseball, basketball and tennis and is reinforced through Hockey Canada's Long Term Player Development model.

Please do not hesitate to contact the OMHA Office should you have any questions or require any additional support regarding this initiative.

Sincerely
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Bob Hill
Vice President Central District
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