



## **VOLUNTEER SCREENING POLICY**

### **1.0 Overview:**

The Langley United Soccer Association supports the initiative of Canada Soccer and BC Soccer and adopts its policy and procedures for Volunteer Screening.

Educating participants, coaches, managers, leaders, and volunteers about abuse and harassment is very important. Langley United Soccer Association recognizes that the organization has a responsibility to appropriately screen any person who will have access to vulnerable people.

This responsibility is based on ethical, moral and legal; it is not only the “right” thing to do but it is legislated under the “Duty of Care” concept.

“Duty of Care” is a legal principle that identifies the obligations of individuals and organizations to take reasonable measures to care for and protect their clients. It is important to understand that Canadian courts will uphold organizations’ responsibilities to screen carefully. This is part of their “Duty to Care.”