WASHINGTON YOUTH SOCCER TEAM MANAGEMENT COACHING MODULE:

Behind every great team that achieves results, produces quality soccer (football) and plays an entertaining game, you will find a coach with a charismatic personality, who is frequently an emblematic figure within their club.

There is no specific program at youth level aimed at achieving high-quality performances or at changing the behavior of a player without the full involvement of a coach or recognized instructor working in the background.

This function, which nowadays involves not only sports-related aspects, but also psychological and pedagogical ones, has expanded considerably in soccer, in particular to cope with the increasing demands of the modern game and the players. In addition to organizational and scheduling tasks, and the supervision of technical, tactical and physical aspects, the coach's area of activity and responsibilities have now been extended to include communication, day-to-day team management, health and hygiene issues concerning the players, as well as their training and education. It is a difficult and complex position, but also an exciting and extremely varied one by virtue of the educative and creative activities that it involves, as well as the innovations that constantly have to be considered.

Washington Youth Soccer has compiled this Team Management coaching workshop to assist in the development of coaches and their ability to be more effective in team operations. This program is presented in four parts and is a classroom based program:

- 1. The work of the coach
- 2. The training sessions
- 3. Coaching of young players
- 4. Long Term Player Development

"The better a coach knows their job and the better they master that job, the more they will gain the understanding and respect of the players."