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Subject: Te Manaakitanga – Women in coaching

Kia ora koutou.

Sport NZ has launched Te Manaakitanga – Women in coaching, a new 12-month development programme designed to help more wāhine succeed in coaching across Aotearoa. This programme is part of a wider Sport NZ and High Performance Sport NZ project focused on supporting, retaining and progressing women in coaching.

Key details:

1. Applications open: 27 November
2. Applications close: 12 December
3. Programme starts: February 2026 in Auckland, Waikato and Canterbury.

Find out more on the Sport NZ website [here](#).

Who is eligible to apply?

All women coaches:

1. aged 18+ and NZ citizens or residents
2. coaching rangatahi in school, club or regional settings
3. with 3 years' coaching experience (*exceptions will be considered*)
4. who can travel to Auckland, Waikato or Canterbury for in-person workshops
5. with support from a school, club or national/regional sports organisation.

What's on offer:

1. mentoring
2. expert-led workshops
3. access to regional communities* of practice for women in coaching

(* Regions include: Auckland, Waikato and Canterbury.)

How you can support:

1. Share the application link on your social media channels.
2. Circulate through your networks and directly to eligible coaches.
3. Support endorsement for coaches where required.

We've made it easy to share - download assets and suggested copy [here](#).

Ngā mihi for your support of this opportunity which will allow more wāhine to grow, connect and be supported in their coaching journey.

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