INTRODUCING THE ACTIVITY INCLUSION MODEL



Activity Inclusion Model (AIM) *

The sports inclusion model supports participant centred provision of physical activity and sport, and ensures everyone has a quality experience, irrespective of the environment or ability of the participant. It forms the basis of the following:



Inclusive activities and sports offer all disabled participants the opportunity to realise their full potential in physical activity, sport and PE by delivering activity appropriate to individual needs and abilities through open, modified, parallel and specific sports options, relevant to the setting and activity. The use of and transition within the model will be dictated through the ongoing communication between the deliverer and the participant, as part of a planned programme of activity or sports participation, training or competition.

Each option is described as follows:

Open activity: everyone can take part – based on what everyone can do and does not include any modification.

Modified activity: people do the same activity in different ways.

Parallel activity: organised in ability groups, everyone takes part in a variation of the same activity.

Specific activity: people take part in unique activity specific to the sport.

The four factors that influence inclusion (and inform he structure of provision) for each individual participant are **ability**, **activity**, **impairment and the setting**. All need to be considered when creating the most appropriate provision.

The outer circle denotes the environments and people that support the provision of inclusive activity or sport:

Clubs and Activity Sessions – Clubs and activity sessions that promote inclusive principles. **Coaches and Volunteers** – Ensuring coaches and volunteers are prepared, confident and competent.

Health and Education Sectors – Supporting the inclusion agenda by ensuring the sectors are prepared, confident and competent to meet the needs of all participants with a disability. **Sports Governing Bodies** – Ensuring the coaching workforce can support and develop all disabled participants in any environment where sport or physical activity is delivered. **Key Partners** – Adopting policies and procedures that impact on delivery and ensure that participants with a disability are considered and included.

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