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## **Brian Bicek joins the Chicago Fury**

Orland Park, IL- The Chicago Fury is excited to announce Brian Bicek as Director of Youth Player Development. In this role, Brian will work with our youth teams on and off the ice for individual and team player development through instruction and correction, and progressive problem-solving concepts. In addition, Brian will also implement and oversee the Fury's newly implemented state-of-the-art club video intelligence systems and training sessions.

Brian's decorated coaching career these past 10 years have include head coaching the Chicago Mission's 2001, 2004, and 2007 birth years including winning 6 Illinois state titles, a Silver Stick Championship and, Bantam Major USA Hockey National invite. Through his experience, Brian has grown his network and relationships to stay current with the most innovative training methods which makes him the perfect hire for this role.

"The Fury organization could not be more pleased with today's announcement and hire of Brian. With our invigorated "all-in" club commitment to the individual player and team development, his star is set to shine even brighter here and become a force to bring excellence to our staff." Jimmy Anderson, Fury Hockey Director.

"My family and I are extremely grateful for this opportunity to join an organization that not only has the most experienced and tenured coaches, but who are also fully vested in the future to bring new methods, technology and coaches to add results driven development and a culture for individuals and teams to succeed."

Brian's playing career began locally in Downers Grove, IL playing for the Darien Huskies AA program helping his team win the 1997 Peewee National championship. Brian would go on to be the 1<sup>st</sup> overall selection of the 2002 NAHL Draft by the Cleveland Barons where he led the league in scoring and won NAHL Rookie of The Year. After one season in the NAHL, Brian

earned a Division 1 scholarship to play hockey in the CCHA for the Western Michigan University Broncos. Brian played in 145 College hockey games scoring 29 goals and adding 25 assists over his 4-year college career. Brian graduated from WMU with Bachelor's degree in Finance and dual minor in Economics and marketing, and was twice elected to the CCHA All-Academic Team (2007, 2008). After his 4 years with the Broncos, Brian would go on to play 6-years of Professional hockey in the IHL, ECHL, and CHL (PHPA) playing in 304 professional games scoring 106 goals, 134 assists for 240 points. His team won the IHL Turner Cup Championship with the Muskegon Lumberjacks (2009-2010). He earned CHL All-Star Game honors while playing for the Evansville Icemen (2010-2011) and was selected All-Star Game MVP.

Brian and his wife Ali reside in Oswego, IL with their son Ben and daughter Mia.

For more information, please visit the [Chicago Fury Website](#)