



2018 U.S. UNDER-18 WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM GAME NOTES

2018 INTERNATIONAL ICE HOCKEY FEDERATION UNDER-18 WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP | DMITROV, RUSSIA

PRELIMINARY ROUND • USA (0-0-0-0) VS. SWEDEN (0-0-0-0) • DMITROV, RUSSIA • ICE PALACE • JAN. 6, 2018

TODAY'S GAME

The U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team opens play today at the 2018 International Ice Hockey Federation Under-18 Women's World Championship against Sweden at the Ice Palace in Dmitrov, Russia. Puck drop is slated for 7:30 p.m. local time/11:30 a.m. ET. Tonight's game will be live streamed on TeamUSA.USAHockey.com. Live game updates will also be provided on Twitter @USAHockey using the hashtag #U18WWC.

TALKING POINTS

THE SERIES VS. SWEDEN

The U.S. holds a 9-0-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record against Sweden all-time in IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship play. The two teams last met on Jan. 8, 2017 in the preliminary round of the 2017 tournament, where the U.S. earned a 4-0 win. Returning goaltender **Lindsay Reed** notched a 23-save shutout in that contest.

SEEKING FOUR STRAIGHT GOLDS

Team USA enters the tournament seeking its fourth consecutive gold medal at the IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship, having won gold at the 2017 competition in Zlin & Prerov, Czech Republic, 2016 in St. Catharines, Ontario and 2015 in Buffalo, New York. The U.S. also claimed gold at the 2011, 2009 and 2008 competitions.

REPEAT PERFORMERS

The U.S. returns seven players from the gold medal-winning 2017 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team, including forward **Taylor Heise**, defenseman **Lizi Norton**, defenseman **Gracie Ostertag**, forward **Dominique Petrie**, goaltender **Lindsay Reed**, defenseman **Ally Simpson** and defenseman **Madeline Wethington**. Reed started two games in goal at the 2017 competition, earning two shutout victories while stopping all 29 shots she faced. Heise, Ostertag and Wethington also helped the 2016 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team earn gold in St. Catharines, Ontario.

BACK FROM LAKE PLACID

Twenty-one players participated in the 2017 Under-18 Series vs. Canada last August in Lake Placid, New York, as members of the U.S. Under-18 Women's Select Team. Team USA took two-of-three games from Canada at the event, outscoring its rivals, 7-5. **Hannah Bilka** notched a team-high three points (2-1), while **Abbey Murphy** tallied a pair of goals. Goaltender **Lindsay Reed** earned two victories in goal, turning away 60 of 62 shots she faced.

LEADERSHIP GROUP

Taylor Heise is serving as team captain alongside alternate captains **Gracie Ostertag**, **Dominique Petrie** and **Madeline Wethington**. All four players were part of the gold medal-winning 2017 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team, while Heise, Ostertag and Wethington also helped the 2016 U.S. squad earn gold in St. Catharines, Ontario.

MAKING A STATEMENT

The 23-player roster represents 10 different states. Minnesota leads the pack with 10 representatives, followed by Massachusetts with three players. Illinois and Texas each have two players, while California, Missouri, North Dakota, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania each have one.

AGE APPROPRIATE

The average age of Team USA is 16.4 years old. **Madison Bizal** (1/25/00) is the oldest member of Team USA, while **Abbey Murphy** (4/14/02) is the youngest.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

Sixteen players are making their IIHF world-championship play debut, including forward **Katelyn Knoll** and goaltender **Makayla Pahl**, who are representing the U.S. for the first time in their careers.

BEHIND THE BENCH

Joel Johnson, associate head coach of the University of Minnesota women's ice hockey team, is the head coach of the U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team for the fourth consecutive year after leading Team USA to gold medals at the 2017, 2016 and 2015 competitions. **Maura Crowell**, head coach of the University of Minnesota Duluth women's ice hockey team, is making her second U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team coaching appearance after serving as an assistant for the gold medal-winning 2015 team. **Courtney Kennedy**, associate head coach for the Boston College women's ice hockey team, is appearing on staff for the U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team for the fourth time. She helped the U.S. win gold at the 2017 competition, in addition to earning silver medals in 2014 and 2013.

TEAM BUILDING

The 23-player roster for the 2018 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team was unveiled on December 1. The team held a pre-tournament camp from Dec. 28-Jan. 2 in Wesley Chapel, Florida, where the U.S. Women's National Team is also training ahead of the 2018 Olympic Winter Games, in preparation for the tournament. Team USA flew to Russia on Jan. 2 and held four practices in Dmitrov before opening the competition.

RECAPPING LAST YEAR

The 2017 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team won gold for the third consecutive IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship last January in Zlin and Prerov, Czech Republic. The U.S. opened the competition with two victories against Russia (6-1) and Sweden (4-0), before falling to Canada in overtime, 1-0. As the second seed from Group A, Team USA earned a bye to the semifinal round, where it topped Russia, 6-0, setting up a rematch against Canada in the gold-medal game. With the two teams tied 1-1 late in the third, **Grace Zumwinkle** netted the game-winner with 2:32 to play to seal gold for the U.S. Current U.S. Women's National Team defender **Cayla Barnes** was named the tournament's top defenseman. Goaltender **Alex Gulstene**, forward **Natalie Heising** and Barnes were named the top U.S. players of the tournament.

2018 IIHF U18 WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

The International Ice Hockey Federation Under-18 Women's World Championship is in its 11th year after the inaugural tournament was held in Calgary in 2008. Subsequently, the event was held in Fussen, Germany, in 2009, Chicago in 2010, Stockholm, Sweden, in 2011, Zlin, Czech Republic, in 2012, Heinola, Finland, in 2013, Budapest, Hungary, in 2014, Buffalo, New York, in 2015, St. Catharines, Ontario, in 2016 and Zlin & Prerov, Czech Republic in 2017. The U.S. and Canada have met in the gold-medal game in all 10 previous competitions, with the U.S. having a 6-4 advantage in those contests.

The tournament features eight teams divided into two groups. Group A consists of the United States, Canada, Russia and Sweden, while Group B features the Czech Republic, Finland, Germany and Switzerland. The teams will play a round-robin within their groups, with the top two teams in Group A earning a bye to the semifinals. The third and fourth-place teams in Group A will square off against the top two teams in Group B in the quarterfinals, and the third and fourth-place teams from Group B will face each other in the relegation round.

TEAM USA SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (ET)
SAT., JAN. 6 Dmitrov, Russia	SWEDEN Ice Palace	11:30 A.M.
SUN., JAN. 7 Dmitrov, Russia	RUSSIA Ice Palace	7:30 A.M.
TUES., JAN. 9 Dmitrov, Russia	CANADA Ice Palace	7:30 A.M.
WED., JAN. 10 Dmitrov, Russia	QUARTERFINALS Ice Palace	TBD
FRI., JAN. 12 Dmitrov, Russia	SEMIFINALS Ice Palace	TBD
SAT., JAN. 13 Dmitrov, Russia	BRONZE MEDAL GAME Ice Palace	7:30 A.M.
SAT., JAN. 13 Dmitrov, Russia	GOLD MEDAL GAME Ice Palace	11:30 A.M.

All U.S. games will be live streamed on TeamUSA.USAHockey.com

MEDIA INFORMATION

All Team USA players or staff will be available for interviews in designated mixed-zone areas following games. Members of the media are not allowed in the U.S. dressing room at any time.

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All media availability with U.S. team members must be arranged through Pat Durant, who will be on-site with Team USA throughout the 2018 IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship.

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Media interested in photos of Team USA throughout the tournament are encouraged to visit ImagesOnce.com for tournament photos. Any other photography requests surrounding the 2018 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team players and staff should be directed to Sydney Blackman.



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2018 U.S. UNDER-18 WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM OPPONENT BREAKDOWN

KEY TEAM USA U18WWC STATISTICS

PRELIMINARY ROUND GAMES	
SWEDEN 	Series vs. Sweden: 9-0-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L) Of Note: Team USA holds a six-game shutout streak vs. Sweden JAN. 8, 2017: USA 4, SWE 0: Eight different players registered a point, and Lindsay Reed recorded a 23-save shutout to give Team USA a 4-0 victory over Sweden in last year's preliminary round.
RUSSIA 	Series vs. Russia: 9-0-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L) Of Note: The two teams face off in the prelims for the seventh straight year. JAN. 13, 2017: USA 6, RUS 0: Grace Zumwinkle netted a hat-trick and Taylor Wente had a goal and an assist to lead Team USA to a 6-0 victory over Russia in last year's semifinals.
CANADA 	Series vs. Canada: 5-3-3-2 (W-OTW-OTL-L) Of Note: The U.S. has won five of the last six matchups vs. Canada. JAN. 14, 2017: USA 3, CAN 1: In last year's gold medal game, the U.S. broke a 1-1 tie with 2:32 to play on a goal by Grace Zumwinkle and went on to win its third consecutive gold medal with a 3-1 victory over Canada.

ALL-TIME MEDALS AT U18WWC

Year	Medal	Coach	Result	Opp.
2017	Gold	Joel Johnson	W, 3-1	CAN
2016	Gold	Joel Johnson	OTW, 3-2	CAN
2015	Gold	Joel Johnson	W, 3-2	CAN
2014	Silver	Jeff Kampersal	L, 1-5	CAN
2013	Silver	Jeff Kampersal	OTL, 1-2	CAN
2012	Silver	Heather Linstad	L, 0-3	CAN
2011	Gold	Jodi McKenna	W, 5-2	CAN
2010	Silver	Katie King	L, 4-5	CAN
2009	Gold	Mark Johnson	W, 3-2	CAN
2008	Gold	Michele Amidon	W, 5-2	CAN

PREVIOUS 10 U18WWCs

Year	Finish	Coach	Record*
2017	Gold	Joel Johnson	4-0-1-0
2016	Gold	Joel Johnson	4-1-0-0
2015	Gold	Joel Johnson	3-2-0-0
2014	Silver	Jeff Kampersal	4-0-0-1
2013	Silver	Jeff Kampersal	4-0-1-0
2012	Silver	Heather Linstad	4-0-0-1
2011	Gold	Jodi McKenna	5-0-0-0
2010	Silver	Katie King	4-0-1-0
2009	Gold	Mark Johnson	4-1-0-0
2008	Gold	Michele Amidon	5-0-0-0

*W-OTW-OTL-L

PLAYOFF ROUND GAMES	
QUARTERFINALS 	U.S. All-Time in U18WWC Quarterfinals: 0-0 (W-L) Of Note: The U.S. has never played in a quarterfinal contest in IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship history, having earned a bye to the semifinal round in all 10 of the previous competitions.
SEMIFINALS 	U.S. All-Time in U18WWC Semifinals: 10-0 (W-L) Of Note: Team USA and Russia met in the IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship semifinals for the first time last year. The U.S. has won all 10 semifinal contests it has played at the competition, topping the Czech Republic six times, Sweden twice and Germany and Russia each once.
MEDAL GAMES 	U.S. All-Time in U18WWC Gold Medal Games: 6-4 (W-L) Of Note: Team USA and Canada have faced off for gold in all 10 previous U18WWCs, with the U.S. holding a 6-4 advantage in those contests. Four of those 10 contests have gone into overtime (2016, 2013, 2010, 2008), with each team having won two each. In 2018, the U.S. is looking to become the first country to win four consecutive gold medals at the IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship.

ALL-TIME RECORD VS. OPPONENT

Opponent	GP	Record*	GF	GA
Canada	13	5-3-3-2	34	28
Czech Republic	12	12-0-0-0	116	3
Finland	1	1-0-0-0	5	0
Germany	2	2-0-0-0	18	1
Hungary	1	1-0-0-0	7	0
Japan	2	2-0-0-0	18	2
Russia	9	9-0-0-0	74	3
Sweden	9	9-0-0-0	60	4
Switzerland	1	1-0-0-0	11	0
TOTAL	50	42-3-3-2	343	41

*W-OTW-OTL-L

ALL-TIME RECORD IN PLAYOFFS

Opponent	SF	GM
Canada	0-0	6-4
Czech Republic	6-0	N/A
Germany	1-0	N/A
Russia	1-0	N/A
Sweden	2-0	N/A
Total	10-0	6-4



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2018 U.S. UNDER-18 WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM ROSTER

NO.	NAME	HT (CM)	WT (KG)	BIRTHDATE	S/C	HOMETOWN	MOST RECENT TEAM
GOALTENDERS (3)							
1	Calla Frank	5-6 (168)	155 (70)	12/11/2000	L	Hugo, Minn.	White Bear Lake High School
29	Makayla Pahl	6-0 (183)	148 (67)	07/28/2001	L	Rochester, Minn.	Rochester Mayo High School
30	Lindsay Reed [^]	6-0 (185)	156 (71)	02/23/2000	L	New Vernon, N.J.	The Hotchkiss School
DEFENSEMEN (8)							
2	Gracie Ostertag [^] %	5-7 (170)	169 (77)	02/14/2000	R	Shakopee, Minn.	Shattuck St. Mary's Prep
3	Maggie Nicholson	5-10 (178)	163 (74)	03/21/2002	L	Minnetonka, Minn.	Minnetonka High School
4	Madeline Wethington [^] %	5-10 (178)	161 (73)	07/14/2000	L	Edina, Minn.	The Blake School
5	Madison Bizal	5-5 (165)	145 (66)	01/25/2000	L	Elk River, Minn.	Elk River High School
6	Lizi Norton [^]	5-6 (168)	146 (66)	02/22/2000	R	Orono, Minn.	Orono High School
7	Hadley Hartmetz	5-5 (165)	140 (64)	03/25/2001	R	Phoenixville, Pa.	Shattuck St. Mary's Prep
8	Ally Simpson [^]	5-8 (173)	165 (75)	12/20/2000	R	Frisco, Texas	Shattuck St. Mary's Prep
10	Lily Farden	5-11 (180)	173 (78)	08/22/2000	R	Hingham, Mass.	East Coast Wizards
FORWARDS (12)							
9	Abbey Murphy	5-4 (163)	125 (57)	04/14/2002	R	Evergreen Park, Ill.	Chicago Mission
11	Dominique Petrie [^]	5-7 (170)	155 (70)	01/21/2001	R	Beverly Hills, Calif.	Anaheim Junior Ducks
12	Makenna Webster	5-2 (157)	130 (59)	03/21/2002	R	St. Louis, Mo.	Shattuck St. Mary's Prep
14	Britta Curl	5-9 (175)	155 (70)	03/20/2000	L	Bismarck, N.D.	Bismarck Blizzard High School
15	Katelyn Knoll	5-7 (170)	156 (71)	01/16/2001	R	Amherst, N.Y.	Nichols School
16	Casey O'Brien	5-3 (160)	125 (57)	08/27/2001	L	Milton, Mass.	Noble and Greenough School
18	Kelly Browne	5-6 (168)	148 (67)	07/14/2000	L	Burlington, Mass.	Boston Junior Eagles
19	Anne Bloomer	5-6 (168)	140 (64)	07/22/2000	L	Chicago, Ill.	Chicago Young Americans
20	Sydney Shearen	5-4 (163)	129 (59)	08/2/2001	R	Hugo, Minn.	White Bear Lake High School
22	Maggie Flaherty	5-9 (175)	180 (82)	06/2/2000	L	Lakeville, Minn.	Lakeville North High School
23	Taylor Heise [^] %	5-10 (178)	145 (66)	03/17/2000	R	Lake City, Minn.	Red Wing High School
24	Hannah Bilka	5-5 (165)	125 (57)	03/24/2001	L	Coppell, Texas	Shattuck St. Mary's Prep

[^]2017 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team Gold Medalist
[%]2016 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team Gold Medalist

2018 U.S. UNDER-18 WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM STAFF

REAGAN CAREY, GENERAL MANAGER

Reagan Carey, USA Hockey's director of women's hockey, is serving as the general manager of the U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team for the ninth consecutive year. She has helped guide Team USA to four gold medals (2011, 2015, 2015, 2017) and four silver medals (2010, 2012, 2013, 2014) at the event. In her role, Carey also oversees the management of the U.S. Women's National Team Program, including elite development efforts of players and coaches. She is also the general manager of the U.S. Women's National Team and the 2018 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team. Under her guidance, the U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team earned a silver medal at the 2014 Olympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia, while the U.S. Women's National Team has taken gold five times (2011, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017) at the IIHF Women's World Championship under her leadership.

JOEL JOHNSON, HEAD COACH

Joel Johnson, associate head coach of the University of Minnesota women's ice hockey team, is serving as head coach of the U.S. Under-18 Women's National team for the fourth consecutive year. Johnson has led the U.S. to gold at the event in his three previous stints as head coach in 2015, 2016, and most recently at the 2017 competition in Zlin and Prerov, Czech Republic. The 2017-18 season marks Johnson's 13th season on the coaching staff of the Golden Gophers. During two stints with Minnesota, Johnson has helped lead the team to six national championships (2000, 2004, 2012, 2013, 2015 and 2016). A native of White Bear Lake, Minnesota, Johnson also spent six seasons coaching at Bethel University from 2004-10, including three years as the men's hockey head coach.

MAURA CROWELL, ASSOCIATE COACH

Maura Crowell, head women's ice hockey coach at the University of Minnesota Duluth, is making her second appearance on staff of a U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team after helping guide the U.S. to a gold medal at the 2015 IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship in St. Catharines, Ontario. Crowell, who has coached at various USA Hockey development camps and festivals in recent years, was appointed head coach at Minnesota Duluth in 2015 after spending five years with Harvard University in various coaching capacities. Crowell joined the Crimson after a five-year stint as head coach of the women's ice hockey team at UMass Boston, where she was named the 2009-10 Eastern College Athletic Conference East Women's Ice Hockey Coach of the Year. Crowell played collegiately at Colgate University.

COURTNEY KENNEDY, ASSISTANT COACH

Courtney Kennedy is serving as an assistant coach for the U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team for the fourth time in 2018. Kennedy served in the same capacity for the gold medal-winning 2017 U.S. squad that earned gold in Zlin and Prerov, Czech Republic, while also helping the 2013 and 2014 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Teams earn silver medals. Kennedy, who is currently the associate head coach for the Boston College women's ice hockey team, is currently in her 11th season on The Heights. In her role at B.C., she heads the Eagles' recruiting efforts and oversees hockey operations. As a player, Kennedy was a two-time Olympian, having earned a bronze medal at the 2002 Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City, Utah, and a bronze medal at the 2006 games in Torino, Italy.

GENERAL MANAGER: Reagan Carey
MANAGER, WOMEN'S HOCKEY: Marissa Halligan
HEAD COACH: Joel Johnson
ASSOCIATE COACH: Maura Crowell
ASSISTANT COACH: Courtney Kennedy
GOALTENDING COACH: Alli Altmann
VIDEO COORDINATOR: Emily Engel
STRENGTH & CONDITIONING COACH: Jeremy Hoy
ATHLETIC TRAINER: Paul Rucci
EQUIPMENT MANAGER: Ian Kronberg
TEAM PHYSICIAN: Jamie Schlueter
COMMUNICATIONS: Pat Durant



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USA HOCKEY HAPPENINGS

FELLOW U.S. NATIONAL HOCKEY TEAM SUCCESS

Over the last two months, five other U.S. hockey teams have found success in international competition.

On Nov. 12, the U.S. Women's National Hockey Team topped Canada, 5-1, to claim the 2017 Four Nations Cup at Amalie Arena in Tampa, Florida. The title was Team USA's third-straight in the event and eighth overall.

A month later, the 2017-18 U.S. National Sled Hockey Team edged Canada, 3-2, to claim the 2017 World Sled Hockey Challenge at McLaughlin Arena in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island. The victory marked an unprecedented fourth-straight title in the event and tournament record sixth title overall.

The U.S. National Under-17 Team also claimed a pair of international titles. On Dec. 16, the U.S. National Under-17 Team defeated Russia, 2-1, in a shootout in its final game of the 2017 Under-17 Four Nations Tournament to secure first place with an undefeated 2-1-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record. The team also claimed the 2017 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge in Dawson Creek, British Columbia in early November.

On Dec. 16, the U.S. Junior Select Team reached the championship game of the 2018 World Junior A Challenge in Truro, Nova Scotia, but fell to Canada West, 5-1, to earn second.

Finally, the U.S. National Junior Team earned a bronze medal on Jan. 5, when it topped the Czech Republic, 9-3, to close out the 2018 IIHF World Junior Championship in Buffalo, New York. For the first time ever, Team USA has now earned a medal in three straight years at the event (2017 - gold, 2016 - bronze).

TEAM USA WOMEN TO HOST NWHL STARS IN EXHIBITION GAMES

The U.S. Women's National Team will play two exhibition games against the top players from the National Women's Hockey League. The games will serve as a final tune-up for the U.S. before the 2018 Olympic Winter Games in PyeongChang.

The games will be held Jan. 13 and 15 at Florida Hospital Center Ice in Wesley Chapel, Florida. Tickets will be available for \$10 each with 50 percent of the proceeds benefitting The USA Hockey Foundation's Friends of Women's Hockey Fund.

2018 OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES

The XXIII Olympic Winter Games will be held in PyeongChang, South Korea, from February 9-25, 2018. Both the Men's and Women's Olympic rosters were unveiled on January 1, 2018 and can be found at TeamUSA.USAHockey.com.

Men: The 2018 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team will compete from Feb. 14-25. **Jim Johansson** is the general manager of the 2018 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team, while **Ben Smith** is director of player personnel. **Tony Granato** will serve as head coach and will be joined by assistant coaches **Keith Allain**, **Chris Chelios**, **Ron Rolston** and **Scott Young**. The U.S. Men's Olympic Team has won two gold medals (1960, 1980), eight silver medals (1920, 1924, 1932, 1952, 1956, 1972, 2002, 2010) and one bronze medal (1936) all-time in Olympic competition.

Women: The 2018 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team will compete from Feb. 11-22. **Reagan Carey**, USA Hockey's director of women's hockey, is the general manager of the 2018 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team, with **Robb Stauber** serving as head coach, **Bret Strot** filling the role of associate head coach and **Paul Mara** tabbed as an assistant coach. Since capturing gold in 1998, the U.S. has won three silver medals (2002, 2010, 2014) and one bronze medal (2006).

2018 PARALYMPIC WINTER GAMES

The 2018 Paralympic Winter Games will take place in PyeongChang, South Korea, from March 9-18, 2018. The U.S. Paralympic Sled Hockey Team, which was unveiled on Jan. 1 alongside the Men's and Women's Olympic rosters, will represent the United States in sled hockey.

The United States enters the Paralympic Winter Games as two-time defending Paralympic gold medalists. After going undefeated and unscored upon to claim the gold medal at the 2010 Paralympic Winter Games in Vancouver, British Columbia, Team USA became the first nation to claim back-to-back Paralympic gold medals in sled hockey when it defeated Russia, 1-0, in the gold-medal game of the 2014 Paralympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia.

THE TIME IS NOW TOUR, PRESENTED BY TOYOTA

The Time is Now Tour, which recently completed, consisted of a series of games in the U.S. to assist the U.S. Women's National Team in preparation for the 2018 Olympic Winter Games. In total, the U.S. went 4-0-1-2 (W-OTW-OTL-L) as it played four times against Canada (1-0-1-2) and once against both Finland (1-0) and Sweden (1-0). For more information, including full results, visit TheTimeisNowTour.com.

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	LOCATION
10/25/17	Canada	L, 1-5	Boston, Massachusetts
11/07/17	Finland	W, 8-2	Wesley Chapel, Florida
11/08/17	Canada	W, 4-2	Wesley Chapel, Florida
11/10/17	Sweden	W, 5-0	Wesley Chapel, Florida
11/12/17	Canada	W, 5-1	Tampa, Florida
12/03/17	Canada	L, 1-2 (OT)	St. Paul, Minnesota
12/15/17	Canada	L, 1-3	San Jose, California

11TH HOCKEY WEEKEND ACROSS AMERICA

The 11th annual Hockey Weekend Across America will be held March 2-4, 2018. Hockey Week Across America will feature a theme for each of the three days, including Wear Your Favorite Hockey Jersey Day on Friday (March 2); Try Hockey Day on Saturday (March 3) and Celebrate Local Hockey Heroes Day on Sunday (March 4). Hockey Weekend Across America was created by USA Hockey in 2008 to engage the hockey community in celebrating the sport of hockey at all levels and exposing the sport to new audiences.

USA HOCKEY'S NATIONAL TEAM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Founded in 1996, USA Hockey's National Team Development Program began operations in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and remained there until the summer of 2015. The full-time program is composed of two squads, the U.S. National Under-18 Team and U.S. National Under-17 teams, which compete in the USHL as well as against international and collegiate competition.

The Under-17 Team competes in the United States Hockey League and also participates in three international events annually. The U.S. National Under-18 Team's schedule includes games against NCAA Division I and III opponents, contests versus USHL teams as well as competition in three international tournaments.

USA HOCKEY ARENA

USA Hockey Arena, home of USA Hockey's National Team Development Program, is a two-sheet facility with regulation ice (85x200) in the main arena and Olympic-size ice (100x200) for the secondary sheet. Since being acquired by the USA Hockey Foundation on April 1, 2015, the facility has added 20,000 square feet to the property that included adding a 9,800-square-foot workout facility, additional offices and a conference center. In total, the facility encompasses 170,000 square feet with the main rink providing 3,504 seats for hockey games and 4,500 seats for other performances and events.

Accompanying the facility is the USA Hockey Summer Drive-In, which features three large screens that show first-run double-features seven nights a week, as well as CJ's Brewing Company.

