

High Performance Athlete Resources Pamphlet

Purpose: To provide National Wheelchair Basketball Association (NWBA) High Performance Athletes with the resources that are available, and to ensure that athletes' feedback or concerns are being heard.

Athletes, please utilize the resources included on the following pages and/or reach out to any of the contacts listed if you have any questions or want to learn more.

NWBA Resources/Contacts

- NWBA Board of Directors Contacts
 - <https://www.nwba.org/managementleadership>
- Gail (Gaeng) Kalisz – NWBA Athlete Advisory Council - Chair
 - Email: gail.gaeng@gmail.com
 - Phone: 301-792-7023
- Dug Jones – NWBA Ethics Committee Chair
 - Email: dugjones11@gmail.com
- David Shaffer - NWBA Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer
 - Email: davidshaffer@nwba.org
 - Phone: 904-699-3407
- Brandon McBeain – NWBA Chief Operating Officer
 - Email: brandonmbeain@nwba.org
 - Phone: 507-301-1730
- Matt Torres – Communications and Marketing Specialist
 - Email: communications@nwba.org
- Tina Cain – NWBA Business and Compliance Manager
 - Email: tina@nwba.org
 - Phone: 317-331-8767
- High Performance/National Team Info – Selection Procedures, Schedule, etc.:
<https://www.nwba.org/usawb>
- Funding Opportunities: <https://www.nwba.org/funding>

SafeSport Policies and Reporting - <https://www.nwba.org/safesport>

- Report an alleged violation to the U.S. Center for SafeSport
The U.S. Center for SafeSport accepts all reports of sexual abuse and child abuse within the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Movement. The Center also accepts reports of emotional and physical misconduct (including but not limited to bullying, hazing, stalking, and harassment) within the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Movement.
 - Call [833-5US-SAFE \(587-7233\)](tel:833-5US-SAFE) to report a Safe Sport alleged violation to the U.S. Center for SafeSport, or
 - Use the following link to submit an online report to the U.S. Center for SafeSport:
<https://uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern/>
- Report an alleged violation to the NWBA
NWBA jurisdiction may include emotional and physical misconduct (including but not limited to bullying, hazing, stalking, and harassment) as well as violations of the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP).
 - Use the following link to submit an online report to the NWBA:
<https://nwba.sportngin.com/register/form/554827672>

USA National Team Athlete Selection Procedures

- Available by visiting: <https://www.nwba.org/usawb>
- Read and understand the process of how athletes are selected to the USA National Teams

USA Women's – NWBA High Performance Team Selection Committee

- NWBA High Performance Committee (HPC) Chair or their designee (1): **David Greig**
- NWBA Athlete Representatives (10-Year Athletes) from the High Performance Committee or their designee(s) to reach 33.3% athlete representation: **Abby Dunkin and Shelby Gruss**
- 2024 National Team Head Coach (1): **Christina Schwab**
- 2024 National Team Assistant Coaches (up to 2): **Desi Miller and Ryan Hynes**
 - NWBA Executive Director or their designee (ex-officio/non-voting): *David Shaffer*
 - NWBA Legal Representative (ex-officio/non-voting): *Laura Peeters*

USA Men's – High Performance Team Selection Committee

- NWBA High Performance Committee (HPC) Chair or their designee (1): **David Greig**
- NWBA Athlete Representatives (10-Year Athletes) from the High Performance Committee or their designee(s) to reach 33.3% athlete representation: **John Gilbert and Kimmie Champion**
- 2024 National Team Head Coach (1): **Robb Taylor**
- 2024 National Team Assistant Coaches (up to 2): **Michael Paye and Scott Meyer**
 - NWBA Executive Director or their designee (ex-officio/non-voting): *David Shaffer*
 - NWBA Legal Representative (ex-officio/non-voting): *Laura Peeters*

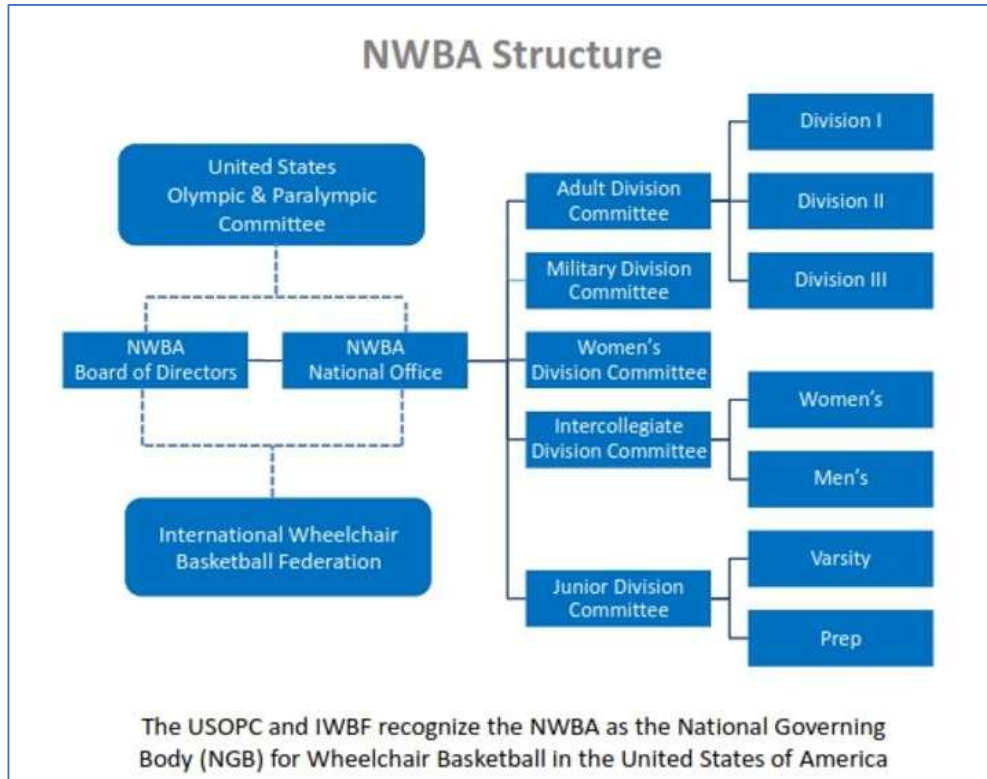
NWBA High Performance Committee (HPC)

- David Greig: HPC Chair
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- Gail (Gaeng) Kalisz: 10-Year Athlete HPC Committee Member
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The NWBA is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization, which raises funds in support of the Mission. In order to bring this mission to life, the NWBA is organized as outlined in the graphic below.

NWBA Mission: *In our pursuit of excellence, the National Wheelchair Basketball Association provides qualified individuals with physical disabilities the opportunity to play, learn and compete in the sport of wheelchair basketball.*



Along with the Divisional Structure, the NWBA relies on volunteer leaders to manage Committees and the strategic priorities that fall under their purview as outlined in the diagram below.

Visit the [Leadership Teams](#) page to learn more about the objectives of each committee, the members of each committee, and to contact them as needed.



U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC) and Affiliates

USOPC Contacts

- Elizabeth Ramsey – USOPC Athlete Advisory Council Chair
 - Email: Elizabeth.Ramsey@teamusa-ac.org
- Steve Serio – USOPC Athlete Advisory Council (NWBA Athlete Representative)
 - Email: stevedserio@gmail.com
 - Phone: 516-984-2530
- Rose Hollermann – USOPC Athlete Advisory Council NWBA Alternate)
 - Email: hollermann54@gmail.com
 - Phone: 612-756-2409
- Athlete Ombuds
 - <https://www.teamusa.org/Athlete-Ombuds>
 - Email: ombudsman@usathlete.org

USOPC Reporting Tool – <https://www.teamusa.org/reporting>

Elite Athlete Health Insurance

- <https://www.teamusa.org/Team-USA-Athlete-Services/Medical/Athlete-Health-Insurance>
- Email: EAHI@usoc.org

USOPC Mental Health Resources

- [Team USA Psychological Services Resource Guide](#)
- <https://www.teamusa.org/mentalhealth>
- Locating a provider: <https://www.teamusa.org/Team-USA-Athlete-Services/Mental-Health/Mental-Health-Registry-Dashboard>
- Jess Bartley – USOPC Director of Mental Health Services
 - Email: Jessica.Bartley@usopc.org

Athlete Marketing Platform (AMP)

- <https://www.teamusa.org/Team-USA-Athlete-Services/Athlete-Marketing-Platform>

Athlete Funding Support

- <https://www.teamusa.org/Home/Team%20USA%20Athlete%20Services/Financial%20Resources>

USOPC Athlete Career and Education Program

- <https://www.teamusa.org/Athlete-Career-and-Education-Program>
- Tuition grants, tax advising, financial consulting, building your brand, webinars and more

Marketing / Sponsorship

- Rule 40 of the Olympic Charter is an eligibility rule introduced by the International Olympic Committee in 1991 for the purpose of maintaining the unique and universal competitive environment offered by the Olympic Games. The rule helps ensure global participation at the Games and maintain the long-term health of the Movement.
 - <https://www.teamusa.org/team-usa-athlete-services/athlete-marketing/ioc-rule-40-ipc-athlete-image-policy-guidelines>
- Rule 50: The IOC's Rule 50 and IPC rules also exist to ensure the Games remain free from demonstrations and political, religious, and racial propaganda.

- <https://www.teamusa.org/Team-USA-Athlete-Services/Athlete-Marketing/IOC-Rule-50-IPC-Equivalent-Guidelines>
- Marketing Guidelines for Athletes
 - Because a significant amount U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Committee (“USOPC”) funding comes from U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Sponsors (“USOPC Sponsors”), those companies are granted rights to use Olympic and Paralympic trademarks and/or imagery (“Marks”) for promotion and advertising. The USOPC does not allow unaffiliated third parties (those who have no official relationship with the USOPC or “Non-USOPC Sponsors”) to use its Marks commercially. These guidelines are intended to assist athletes in understanding how they may work with commercial entities without giving Non-USOPC Sponsors the improper commercial benefit of associating with the USOPC, Team USA, or the Olympic or Paralympic Games.
 - <https://www.teamusa.org/team-usa-athlete-services/athlete-marketing/athlete-commercial-guidelines>

U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) Resources

- <https://www.usada.org/>
 - For more information about the United States Anti-Doping Association, please use the above link.
 - Toll Free Phone: 866-601-2632
 - Email: usada@usada.org
- Global DRO
 - <https://www.globaldro.com/Home>