



Dear NGBs,

Welcome to the first edition of the SafeSport Education & Outreach newsletter!

### **New Federal Law to Protect Minor Athletes**

[Senate Bill 534](#), Protecting Young Victims from Sexual Abuse and Safe Sport Authorization Act of 2017, was signed into law February 14, 2018, and is effective immediately. The bill amends two federal statutes: (1) the Victims of Child Abuse Act of 1990 and (2) the Amateur Sports Act of 1978. [This fact sheet](#) provides additional information about the new law. In the coming weeks, the Center will be reviewing and analyzing the new law and reaching out to experts and organizations for guidance on implementation. We welcome your questions and input as the Center develops guidance to support implementation.

### **Resources:**

- [Preventing Bullying: What Great Coaches Need to Know](#)
- Archived Webinars: [Preventing Bullying Behaviors](#)

### **Coming in 2018!**

- The U.S. Center for SafeSport is developing a parent toolkit, and child and youth athlete resources in 2018! Stay tuned for new resources.
- April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month & Child Abuse Awareness Month. Free tools are available from the [National Sexual Violence Resource Center](#).

### **Submit Your SafeSport Story:**

Have a success story to share about SafeSport? Has an athlete, parent or coach reached out to share the impact? Does your NGB have an innovative approach you want to share with other NGBs? [Share your story here](#), and we'll rotate sharing NGB SafeSport stories in future newsletters.

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