



Northern and Upper Peninsula Sports Coordinator

The Opportunity:

As Coordinator of Sports and Training, you'll play an integral part in fulfilling a key mission of the Special Olympics of Michigan (SOMI), helping uniquely talented athletes achieve physical fitness, improved overall wellbeing and the joy of participating in sports competitions.

You will work with an amazingly talented, dedicated group of colleagues and community members to implement year-round competitive athletic programs and events in the Northern & Upper Peninsula region of Michigan. You will have a chance to inspire others to become involved and you will directly impact the wellbeing of SOMI program participants through our Health and Wellness Programs, Young Athletes Program and Unified Sport opportunities in Michigan.

Our team members and their leaders help SOMI athletes achieve their dreams and reveal their inner champion! Come be part of the amazing work we do for our SOMI athletes, their families, and our communities.

What You'll Do:

- Coordinate with colleagues, coworkers, other program directors and coaches who are involved in organized competitive sports and athletic games for uniquely abled athletes and program participants.
- Leverage regional and organizational resources via networking to implement various SOMI programs in your assigned region.
- Nurture regional networks to achieve collaboration including donations of equipment and in-kind facilities, meals, etc.
- Plan, budget for and manage all aspects of competition events including sports policy compliance and medical standards for sports events.
- Communicate event and program details utilizing a training calendar and developing related newsletters.
- Serve as Tournament Director for Northern/UP district basketball and assist at State and USA Games needed.
- Manage resources for training schools and assist with statewide coaches' weekend annually.
- Assist UCS staff for implementation on Unified sports and league play.
- Otherwise support the mission of SOMI.

What You'll Bring:

- A dedication to helping others find their inner champion!
- A commitment to serving the community.
- A bachelor's degree in physical education, recreation, or sports management/administration or a

- commensurate amount of experience combined with education.
- At least three years' experience of a qualifying nature with a sports background developed through coaching and/or administration of competition (i.e., league, intramural) in a sports program.
- Positive interpersonal skills and the ability to communicate effectively.
- The ability to perform the essential functions and requirements of the job with or without accommodation.
- Ability to travel evenings and weekends.
- Computer knowledge in MS applications
- Working knowledge of administrative and organizational skills.
- Knowledge and experience working with persons with intellectual and physical disabilities helpful.

If you are interested in this opportunity, please send cover letter and resume to resume somi@somi.org

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We strive to create a workplace that reflects the communities we serve and where everyone feels empowered to bring their full, authentic selves and can do their best work.