JOBS OPPORTUNITY

Athlete Wellbeing and Engagement Officer

Paralympics Australia is an organization responsible for one of the most loved teams and respected brands in Australian sport. We deliver teams to compete in World Championships, Commonwealth and Paralympic Games all around the world.

We are excited to be recruiting an Athlete Wellbeing and Engagement (AW&E) Officer on a part-time basis (3 days/week). Reporting to the Senior Manager, High Performance, this role will support athletes to navigate and access wellbeing and engagement resources and services as well as ensuring the relevant systems and processes are up to date and made available. The location of this role is flexible. Paralympics Australia has offices in Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide. However, other locations can be considered.

Key responsibilities include:

- Facilitate, manage, deliver or refer support to para-athletes to maintain their intrinsic motivation, focus on success in their sport, and a positive transition into life after sport.
- Evaluate gaps in AW&E service availability and capacity for para-athletes and develop relationships, systems and processes to ensure para-athlete access to AW&E, mental health and careers service referral networks.
- Develop and deliver bespoke para-athlete induction and transition programs.
- Work closely with the existing AW&E Officer and provide support to key AW&E projects such as the Paralympic Mentor Program
- Work with the athletes commission to develop content for the PA athlete portal.
- Maintain contemporary knowledge of social welfare issues impacting athletes with disabilities including employment/study, physical and mental health, funding and proactively advocate on behalf of para athletes across the AIS, NSO and NIN network to instigate solutions that address any developing or existing issues.
- Create and foster new relationships with external services (companies, universities, not for profits etc.) who may be able to target and assist para athletes.
- Maintain a holistic view of athlete health and wellbeing and encourage a multidisciplinary approach to athlete care and support.

To be successful in this role, you will have experience implementing case management or triage processes to ensure appropriate care, have a strong understanding of the Australian high performance sporting system and demonstrate contemporary knowledge of issues impacting mental health and wellbeing in a sporting context. Relevant tertiary qualifications are required (in psychology, education, or career counselling) and a Working With Children Check and Sport Integrity Australia level 2 antidoping certification are essential.

Paralympics Australia provide a safe, fair and welcoming environment, valuing diversity and inclusion and we encourage anyone with relevant skills and experience to apply for our roles.

It is a great time to join and contribute to an outstanding Australian sporting organization with an exemplary record of success on the world stage.

To apply, please email a CV and cover letter to Samantha Martin, samantha.martin@paralympic.org.au

Applications close 5:00pm Thursday 6th August, 2020