

ALLYSHIP IN ANTI-ABLEISM IN SPORT *RESOURCES*

[WIS Inclusion Letter](#) - Tips to foster inclusion and allyship for all marginalized groups.

ORGANIZATIONS

[United Soccer Coaches - The Disability Allies Group](#). The organization is dedicated to providing resources and information, raising awareness, and creating a community for coaches of athletes with disabilities and coaches with disabilities to share their own experiences and ideas.

[Athlete Ally](#) - Through partnerships, programs and workshops, they inspire leaders in sports to create positive change on matters of LGBTQIA+ equality in sport. Follow them on [social media](#) and consider taking courses from them/ learning from their expertise.

US Soccer - [Soccer for Athletes with Disabilities](#) , and [US Deaf Soccer](#)

[TOPSoccer](#) - US Youth Soccer TOPSoccer is a community-based training program for all athletes with intellectual, emotional, and or physical disabilities.

[Move United - Power Soccer](#): A rapidly growing adaptive sport that is changing the way people think of those using a power chair.

[Links & Resources – Lucky Fin Project](#) - The Lucky Fin Project is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that exists to raise awareness and celebrate children and individuals born with symbrachydactyly or other limb differences (upper, lower, congenital, and amputee). This is a list of their resources.

[Forward Madison FC](#) - recommended by one of our panelists Roni with TOPSoccer, dive into the incredible spectator experience the fans of Forward Madison FC create. Follow them on social media, too. [Instagram](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#)



[US Olympic & Paralympic Committee, Athlete Career and Education Program](#) - shared by guest Annemarie Blanco, the USOPC works on an ACE (Athlete Career and Education) program that connects athletes to resources and mentors for both active and retired athletes.

[A Directory of National Adaptive Sports Organizations](#)

[USPSA | Power Wheelchair Sports](#)

[Team USA Paralympic Eligible Information](#)

ARTICLES AND REPORTS

[“I use what God gave me”: Carson Pickett on life as a one-handed professional soccer player.](#)
The Orlando Pride full-back is establishing herself as one of the best defenders in the US and intends to use her position to inspire any body type to play the beautiful game.

[The needs of disabled fans must not be ignored when sports stadiums reopen to spectators.](#)
With the return of spectators upon us, this article highlights how the sports industry must facilitate a disability-inclusive restart for spectator sports. Drawing on a recent study, the report outlines a series of recommendations that could be used by stadium operators to ensure the pandemic does not lead to further neglect of the needs and rights of disabled people in the context of sport.

[‘It’s given me so much confidence’: disability football scheme brings joy to youth in England.](#)
A Premier League initiative is embracing thousands of young people with disabilities across 28 clubs.

[“I love cheering on my team live, but being a disabled football fan can be a nightmare.”](#)
Premier League clubs have a lot to learn to make football an inclusive space. This article highlights how leagues must engage with disabled fans, listen to their feedback, and, more importantly, they must take it on board and take action.

[Paralympians Say They Need More Support:](#)



“Athletes with disabilities are only able to compete at this level when they have access to the necessary support and accommodations that they need to be successful,” Senator Maggie Hassan, Democrat of New Hampshire, wrote in a letter to the committee. “They should not be forced to navigate the Tokyo Olympics without the support that they need, particularly in the midst of a global pandemic.”

[Women of power soccer: exploring disability and gender in the first competitive team sport for powerchair users:](#)

This study explored the experiences of female power soccer players in light of three distinct positions they hold: as athletes with disabilities in a predominantly non-disabled world; as athletes with more impactful physiological impairments within the disability sport community; and as women in a co-ed male-dominated sport. Over 80% of power soccer is male.

BOOKS

[Loving Sports When They don't Love you Back](#) - A book by sports journalists on how to consider the ethical issues of gender, sexuality, race, and other inequalities in the sports we love.

[A Collection of Books on Athletes with Disabilities](#)

PODCASTS

[Burn it All Down](#) - An intersectional feminist sports podcast. In episode 215, the dynamic team of experts at Burn it All Down talk about how disability activists in Japan have been using the Paralympics as a catalyst in the fight for social change.

[Kick it Like a Girl](#) - Rachel Yanky is one of the UK's most celebrated and decorated football players, she's also dyslexic. Listen to this podcast to hear how she used some unorthodox methods to overcome gender bias and the lack of support she received as a dyslexic person.

[The U.S. Soccer Podcast - Episode 27: U.S. Disability Soccer Month.](#) On this special episode of the U.S. Soccer Podcast, hosts Jordan Angeli and Charlie Davies welcomed U.S. Paralympic National Team members Drew Bremer and Josh Brunais to the show. December is U.S.



Disability Soccer Month, and throughout the month the Federation is celebrating the programs and member organizations that support athletes with disabilities in every corner of the sport.

FILMS

[Rising Phoenix](#) - A Netflix new release tells the extraordinary story of the Paralympic Games. From the rubble of World War II to the third biggest sporting event on the planet, the Paralympics sparked a global movement that continues to change the way the world thinks about disability, diversity & human potential.

[Accessible Soccer Drills for People with Disabilities](#) - The University of Michigan Adaptive and Inclusive Sports Experience (UMAISE) aims to enhance the physical, social and emotional development for people with disabilities through sport. In this video, learn soccer drills you can practice with your family and friends. The coaches explain how to adapt soccer drills to be accessible for those that use walkers, crutches and other walking aids.

[The FA Disability Cup](#) - This short film shines a spotlight on five grassroots disability soccer players telling the story of their own individual journey into the game, from those seeking a competitive environment to play the game to others simply finding fun, sociable ways of keeping active.

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