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U.S. CENTER FOR SAFESPORT LAUNCHES 2020 ATHLETE CLIMATE SURVEY

**Survey of Adult Athletes to Provide Data on Abuse and Misconduct
in U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Movement**

DENVER – The [U.S. Center for SafeSport](https://uscenterforsafesport.org) wants adult athletes in the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Movement to participate in the [2020 Athlete Climate Survey](https://uscenterforsafesport.org/2020-athlete-climate-survey). Beginning today, athletes 18 years of age or older have the opportunity to share their experiences in sport to help the Center better understand the prevalence of abuse and misconduct in sport.

Data collected from the survey will help the U.S. Center for SafeSport understand how to improve its support of athletes when it comes to preventing and responding to sexual, emotional, and physical abuse and misconduct in sport. ***The survey is anonymous for all participants.***

The 30-minute online survey launches today, Tuesday, October 6, and will remain open through Sunday, November 15, 2020. The Center has developed social media posts so athletes and organizations can help spread the word on their own social media accounts. In addition, eligible athletes who complete the survey will receive a \$20 Amazon gift card (while supplies last).

The 2020 Athlete Climate Survey is a collaborative effort between a dozen National Governing Bodies (NGBs), Paralympic Sport Organizations (PSOs), the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC), and athlete representatives from various sports. The survey is administered by an independent research team at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro's [Institute to Promote Athlete Health & Wellness](https://www.uncc.edu/institute-to-promote-athlete-health-wellness) to safeguard the privacy and protect the identity of the survey respondents.

Visit uscenterforsafesport.org/climate-survey to begin the survey.

About the U.S. Center for SafeSport

Headquartered in Denver, Colorado, the U.S. Center for SafeSport is an independent, nonprofit 501(c)(3) responsible for responding to and preventing emotional, physical, and sexual misconduct and abuse in the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Movement. The Center's mission is to make athlete well-being the centerpiece of our nation's sports culture through abuse prevention, education, and accountability.

Under the Protecting Young Victims from Sexual Abuse and Safe Sport Authorization Act of 2017, the Center serves as the exclusive authority to respond to reports of abuse and misconduct in the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC) and their recognized National Governing Bodies (NGBs) and Paralympic Sport Organizations (PSOs). The Center also serves as an educational resource for sports organizations at all levels, from grassroots amateur sports organizations to professional leagues. For more information about the Center, visit uscenterforsafesport.org. For media inquiries, email media@safesport.org.