



To: USA Swimming Member Coaches

From: U.S. Paralympics Swimming Staff

Re: 2013 U.S. Paralympics Swimming Coaching Connection Program

Date: February 4, 2013

U.S. Paralympics Swimming is pleased to announce a new program for USA Swimming member coaches who want more knowledge/techniques for coaching athletes with disabilities. This new program will allow coaches to collaborate on swimming knowledge/techniques with Dave Denniston while he works with the U.S. Paralympics Swimming Resident Program at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs ("CSOTC"). Below please find a summary for this program:

- Coaches must be USA Swimming coach members registered in 2013 and with all background check/safety certifications current
- Coaches may work with the U.S. Paralympics Swimming Resident Team Coach at the CSOTC for up to six days (consecutively)
- Coaches are responsible for their own travel to and from Colorado Springs
- Housing, meals and facility access at the CSOTC will be paid for by U.S. Paralympics Swimming
- All workouts will be a collaborative effort between the visiting coach and the U.S. Paralympics Swimming Resident Team coach
- There will be no swim training opportunities on Sundays
- Coaches may take advantage of this opportunity once a year

Evaluation of coaches for acceptance to this collaborative program will consider a wide range of factors including current space availability, USOC staff availability and training/competition schedule of the U.S. Paralympics Swimming Resident Team.

The U.S. Paralympics Swimming High Performance Director and Team Leader, Sport Performance, under the recommendation of the Resident Team coach will review and determine who is selected to participate in the program. Acceptance into the program at the dates requested by the coach is on a first come first serve basis. The USOC can deny anyone admittance into the Olympic Training Center.

Applications can be found at <http://www.teamusa.org/US-Paralympics/Sports/Swimming/Resident-Program.aspx> and should be submitted to Dave Denniston at dave.denniston@usoc.org or Queenie Nichols at queenie.nichols@usoc.org.