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The purpose of this newsletter is to provide a foundation that allows for direct on-going communication with each of you. Information contained within will cover the most current Safe Sport related information. If you have any feedback, comments or suggestions, please email us at [safesport@usaswimming.org](mailto:safesport@usaswimming.org)

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## **Zone Workshop Recap!**

Thank you to everyone who attended the Zone Workshops in April and May. All four Workshops were a success. We tried a couple new initiatives this time around, including peer led sessions by the Zone Safe Sport Chairs, and they were well received. Each Zone worked on a specific project, and the hard work you put in led to some fantastic tools and resources created. Here is a reminder of the projects that each zone worked on:

Southern Zone- Getting a Safe Sport Coordinator at each club

Western Zone- Training and presenting to athletes

Eastern Zone- Initiating Safe Sport at meets

Central Zone- Onboarding of new LSC Safe Sport Chairs

Please keep an eye out for all of the final products! After final review, everything will be sent to each of you for distribution and use. Thank you again for all of your hard work, conversation and collaboration. Safe Sport has the best champions around!

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## Safe Sport Fellows!

The 2017 class of Safe Sport Fellows continue to do great work. These four teenagers are working hard on their projects, getting in front of the swimming community and presenting, and creating ways to spread the Safe Sport message. Athletes want to be a part of the Safe Sport conversation. If these four can do it, we can look for ways to further engage the athletes with whom we interact. Great job fellows!

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## Seen on Twitter!

Arizona Safe Sport Chair, Tom Oliver...we spotted you on Twitter doing great work! We love seeing Safe Sport tabling at meets. Keep it up!



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## U.S. Center for Safe Sport!

The U.S. Center for Safe Sport is based in Denver, Colorado, and is a national nonprofit organization providing education, resources and training to promote respect and prevent abuse in sport. USA Swimming will be working with them in the near future and all the specific information regarding that will be sent to you soon.

This month, The Center partnered with Prevent Child Abuse America, and they are offering two free, 60-minute webinars. These webinars are education on how to help prevent bullying behaviors and promote team cohesion. The one-hour webinars will:

1. Address what bullying behaviors look like, with a particular focus on the most vulnerable populations.
2. Help coaches and administrators learn to distinguish bullying from mean or rude behaviors, and
3. Identify strategies for preventing or responding to bullying behavior.

Dates and registration information is below. Both webinars will cover the same material, so please sign up for the date that is most convenient for you. The first one offered is tomorrow.

June 8, 1 p.m.-2 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time)  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8172541669327373059>

June 14, 1 p.m- 2 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time)  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/420060319298657741>

If you would like to learn more about The Center, please visit [www.safesport.org](http://www.safesport.org).

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Please continue to follow us on Twitter @SwimSafeSport and on Facebook at USA Swimming Safe Sport. Let us know if you are working on any Safe Sport initiatives, we would like to highlight you in our next Safe Sport Newsletter!

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