

News Release

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The National Sports Center for the Disabled Announces New Chief Executive Officer

Long-Time Non-Profit Executive, Kim Easton Joins NSCD as CEO

DENVER, Colo. — The National Sports Center for the Disabled (NSCD) has announced that Kim Easton will be joining the company as Chief Executive Officer. Easton brings more than 18 years of demonstrated achievement contributing to successful development and growth of statewide and national, multi-sited organizations.

"I'm honored, and I'm grateful for the opportunity to lead this exceptional organization," said Easton. "I am passionate about making a positive difference in the world by connecting people with the resources and support that they need to thrive and be successful in their lives and it's my goal to see that the NSCD impacts the world far beyond where we live."

Prior to joining the NSCD, Easton was the CEO of Urban Peak; a local Denver non-profit organization that provides a full convergence of services for youth ages 15 through 24 experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of becoming homeless. Easton was also the CEO at Colorado Bight Beginnings and has worked with other non-profit organizations as both an employee and in board governance roles. She was also a founding member and Board Chair of Highline Academy, a DPS Charter School.

"Kim's background in education, as a proven non-profit executive and as an advocate for those less fortunate make her the ideal fit for the position," said Marcia Benshoof, NSCD's Board of Trustees Chair.

Before Easton's work in non-profit leadership, she was an early childhood educator immersed in research around infant mental health and healthy brain development. Easton was also a ski instructor in Vail and took PSIA (Professional Ski Instructors of America and American Association of Snowboard Instructors) clinics to improve her personal and teaching skills that included mono and bi-skis as well vision impaired, hearing impaired, and teaching youth with mental and cognitive disabilities.

Easton is a graduate of the College of Wooster where she earned her undergraduate degree. She then earned her Master's Degree in Educational Psychology from the University of Colorado.

About NSCD

The National Sports Center for the Disabled (NSCD) began in 1970 with a group of patients from Children's Hospital of Denver. Today, the NSCD is one of the largest outdoor therapeutic recreation agencies in the world. Each year, thousands of children and adults with disabilities take to the ski slopes, mountain trails and playing fields to learn more about sports and themselves. With specially trained staff and its own adaptive equipment lab, the NSCD teaches a variety of winter and summer sports and activities to individuals with almost any physical, cognitive, emotional, or behavioral diagnosis. For more information about the NSCD visit http://nscd.org/ or like us on Facebook for updates about our programs and athletes.