

ADAPTIVE ATHLETICS COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER MODEL PROGRAM

Guía Training: Day 0

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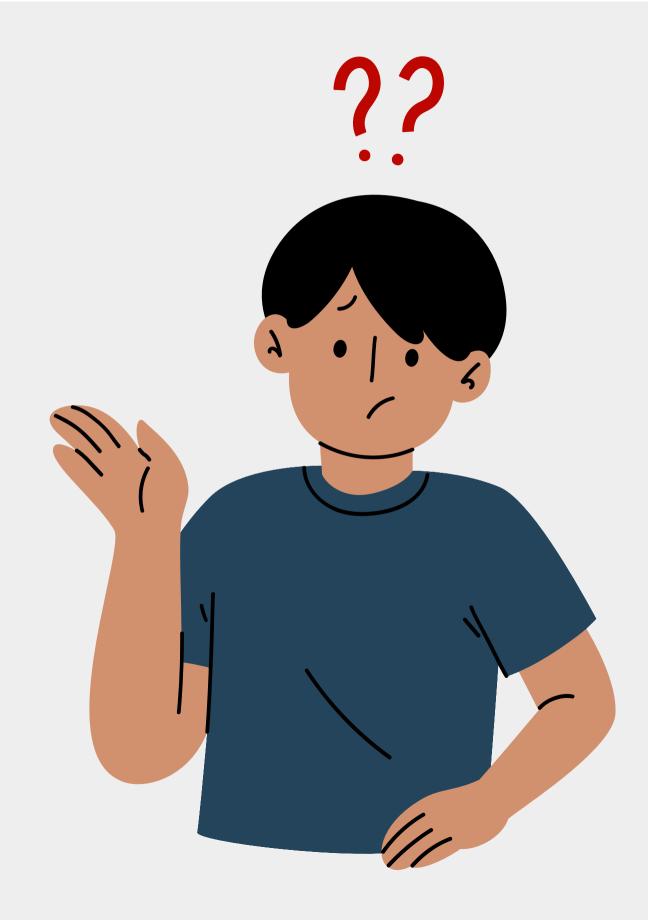
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What Will We Talk About?

- Project Overview
- CHW vs. Guía
- Meet the team
- Project goals
- Basic responsibilities
- Why you?
- Time commitment
- Compensation
- Documentation







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What is the AACHW Project?

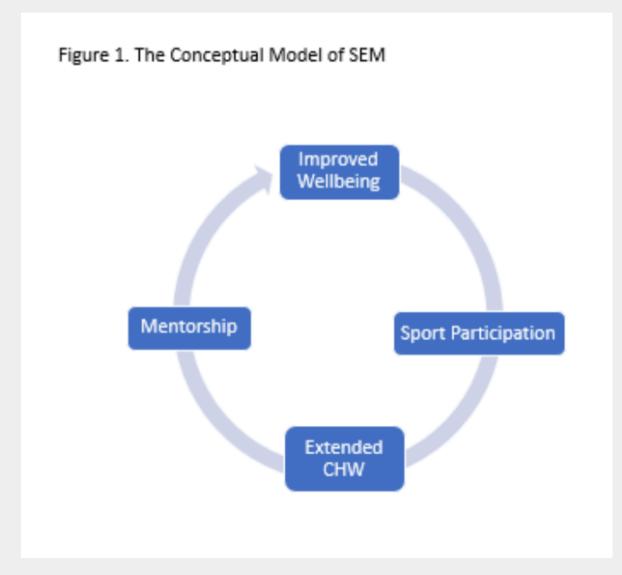
Background:

- Numerous studies show that sport participations provides various health and social benefits for individuals with disabilities (Martin, 2013).
- We also know how effective community health workers are in serving marginalized populations (Brown et al., 2020; Vallieres et al., 2018).
- No studies have focused on the subpopulation of Latinx with mobility impairments (LwMIs).



Purpose:

The Adaptive Athletics Community Health Worker Model Program aims to develop and validate a model that combines **S**port participation, an **E**xtended CHW system, and structured **M**entorship (SEM).





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What is a CHW?

According to the American Public Health Association, a <u>Community Health Worker</u> is "a frontline public health worker who is a trusted member of and/or has an unusually close understanding of the community served. This trusting relationship enables the worker to serve as a liaison/link/intermediary between health/social services and the community to facilitate access to services and improve the quality and cultural competence of service delivery.

A community health worker also builds individual and community capacity by increasing health knowledge and self-sufficiency through a range of activities such as outreach, community education, informal counseling, social support and advocacy" (Community Health Workers, n.d.).





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What is a Guía?

Guía translates to "guide" in English. A Guía in this project is an **experienced athlete** in the disability sport community. Each Guía will act as a "guide" or **mentor** to 5-6 athletes over the course of one year. Guías are responsible for providing **social support** (emotional, informational, and instrumental) to their athletes. They will help each athlete create short/long term goals, identify physical and emotional needs. With the help of Resource Advocates, each Guía will **serve as a link** between the athletes and health/social services.





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What's the difference between a CHW and a Guía?
Which one am I?







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CHW

Guía

This is you!

- Complete 160 hour course to be certified in State of Texas
- Perform outreach and community education
- Provide basic health screenings and first aid
- Provide referrals and follow-up services

- Trusted member of the community
- Provide social support and informal counseling
- Serve as a link between community and health/social services
- Complete 11 hours of training with NO resulting certification
- Have Resource Advocates as tools to support athletes
- Paid by the University of Houston
- Contributing to a research project funded by NIDILRR



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Meet your team

Guías:

- Jose Arriga, Wheelchair Tennis Athlete
- Danny Quitana, Wheelchair Tennis Athlete
- Victor Ventura, Wheelchair Basketball Athlete
- Carmen Lopez, Wheelchair Tennis Athlete
- Gloria Suarez, Owner of non profit Bee-Abled

Resource Advocates:

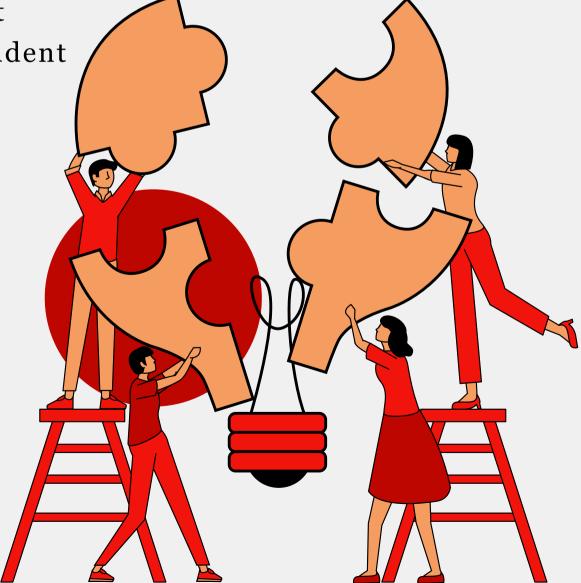
- Sarah Sibouyeh
- Isabella Martinez
- Nayeli Gomez
- Jacquelyn Lopez

OVERSIGHT:

- Erin Herder
- Sabreen Sultana
- Isabella Prince

Administrative Staff:

- Dr. Michael Cottingham, PI/Program Director
- Dr. Craig Johnston, Co-PI
- Tiao Hu, Graduate Student
- Joy Cabador, Graduate Student





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Team Roles

you'll meet with them 2x a month!



Guías:

- Provide social support to 5-6 athletes by meeting with them twice a month for 30-45 minutes
- Communicate with resource advocates on athlete status
- Communicate with program director (Dr. C) once a month

you'll meet with them monthly!

Administrative Staff:

• Oversee all aspects of the project and manage research team

Resource Advocates:

- Learn transitional expertise from you
- Communicate with you biweekly
- Provide resources to you & your mentees
- Meet with the admin staff monthly

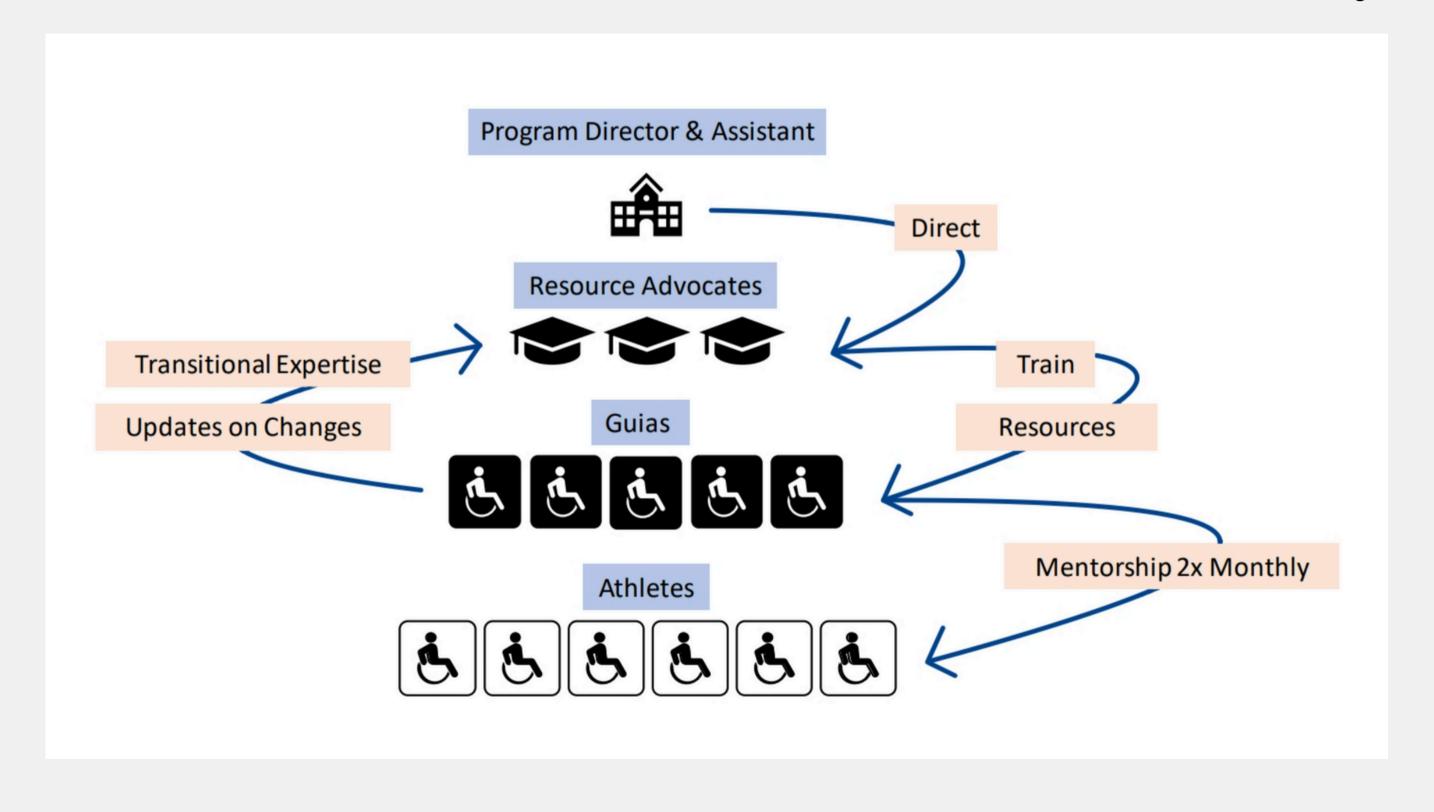






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Extended CHW Model & Communication System





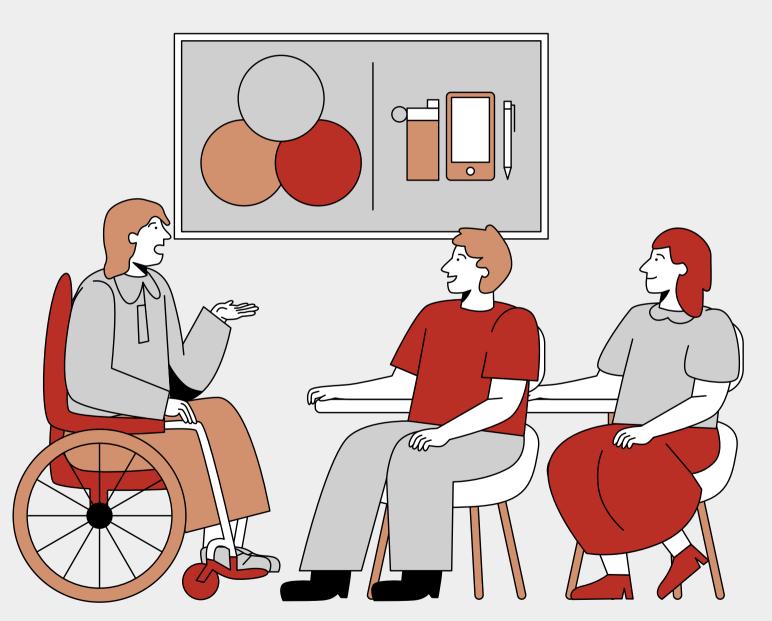


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Where do you come in?

On Day 1, you will have 5-6 athletes assigned to you

- What are your responsibilities?
 - Help your athletes establish short and long term goals
 - Provide social support
 - Informational
 - Emotional
 - Instrumental
 - Meet with your athlete twice a month
 - Complete progress notes for each athlete
 - Meet with the program director once a month to update on mentorship progress





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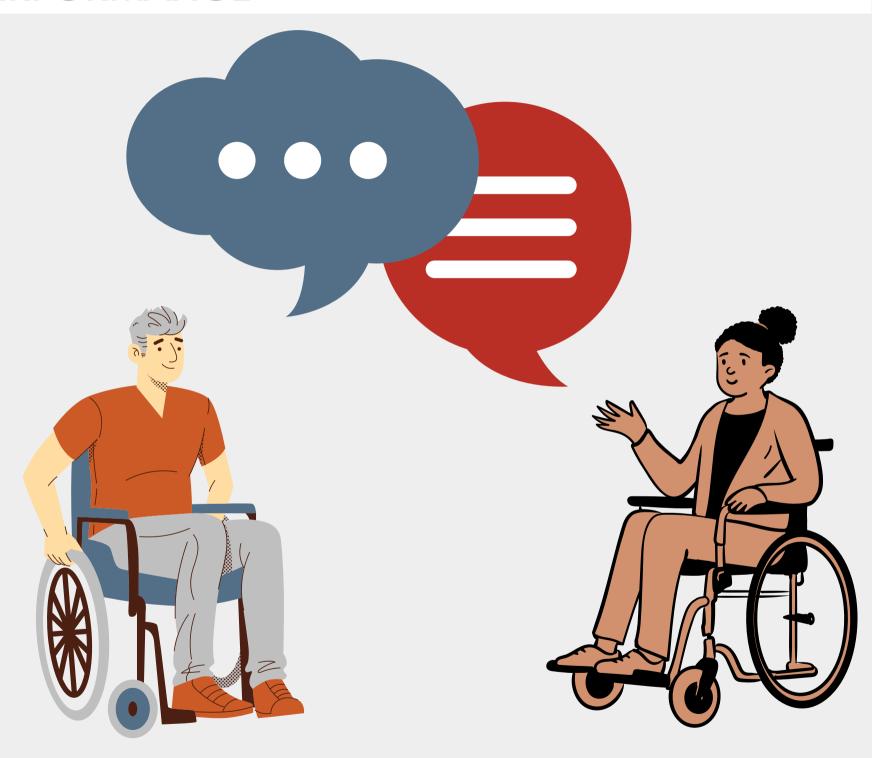
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Possible Topics of Discussion

- Hobbies/Interests
- Status and barriers of life aspects regarding
 - Economic stability
 - Community engagement

(Richardson et al., 2017)

- Health (World Institute on Disability, 2006)
- Relationships (Aitchison et al., 2021)
- Motives of joining the sport community (Martin, 2013)
- Short term & long term goals
- Expectations from the mentorship
- Tangible/medical necessities









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Confidentiality

Any information that an athlete shares with you is **confidential.** The only people who should know about the athlete's personal information is the research team. The research team includes Dr. Cottingham, Dr. Johnston, Tiao Hu and the Resource Advocates.

If you break confidentiality, you will be immediately dismissed from the research study.









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Time Commitment



18 MONTH COMMITMENT



• You will meet with:

- Each athlete twice a month for 30-45 minutes via in person/online/phone, FOR 12 MONTHS
- Program director, Dr. Michael Cottingham, once a month for 30 minutes or less
- Resource advocates twice a month for approximately 30 minutes

• Training (10.75 hrs)

- Day 0 Training: 2 hours 45 minutes (7hrs 45 min including CITI Training)
 - Project overview, introductions, basic responsibilities, compensation, CITI Training (2 hrs supervised, 5 hrs on own time)
- Day 1 Training: 2 hours
 - Project goals, role/responsibilities, core competencies, how to be an effective Guía
 - UH policies, code of conduct, ADA, HIPAA
- Day 2 Training: 1 hour
 - Mobility impairments, core competencies, types of mentees, Do's and Dont's

TOTAL HOURS PER MONTH: 6



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Documentation: Progress Notes!

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| Guia Name | Mentee Name | | Date | | Med | etting by | Meeting Duration |
| PART1: MAIN TO | PICS CO | VERED T | ODAY | | - | | |
| Topic | Check | Comments | | | | | |
| Physical Health & necessities | | | | | | | |
| Economic Stability | | | | | | | |
| Community engagement | | | | | | | |
| Social & Relationship | | | | | | | |
| Transportation | | | | | | | |
| Goal setting & evaluation | | | | | | | |
| Other | | | | | | | |
| PARTII: ASSESSM | ENT OF | THE ME | ETING | | | | |
| What's going well? | | | What's not? | | | New insights for today's meeting | |
| PARTII: ASSESSM | ENT OF | YOUR M | ENTEE | | | | |
| Indicators | | Poor | Fa | air Good | Very | Good | Great |
| Physical health | | | | | | | |
| Emotional health | | | | | | | |
| Engagement for the i | neeting | | | | | | |
| Financial stability | | | | | | | |
| Community engagen | | | | | | | |
| Commitment to achie | eve goals | | | | | | |
| Goal Progress | | | | | | | |

| Action points for mentee: | Action Points for mentor: |
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| | Things to ask support from RAs: |
| Date of next session: | |



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Discussion Prompts

First Meeting Discussion Prompts

- 1. Participants need to give heads-up about the conversation, goals and needs
- 2. When enrolling them in, we probably can give participants a list/explanation regarding how this mentorship works, and let them be prepared for their first meeting.
- 3. After the first meeting, we collect the agreement and develop more through discussion prompts based on athletes' individual goals and needs.
- 4. What is to say we find this person suffering from mental issues, but his/her goals are not related to that, what do we do?

Introduction

- Mentor introduces yourself and your goal for the mentorship
- · Agenda for the meeting
- · What are your interests, hobbies, etc?
 - o Barriers preventing you from doing activities that interest you?
- Reflect on your daily activities, are there any limitations?

Evaluate aspects of life (social, health, community participation, finance)

- · What parts of your life are going well?
- · Are other aspects of life not going well?
 - o Physically active as you'd like to be?
 - o Are you satisfied with your relationship status?
 - o What would improve your quality of life?
 - o Are you as involved in your community as you'd like to be?
 - o Barriers from seeing the doctor?
 - o If your wheelchair has a flat tire, do you have the knowledge and/or supplies to fix it?
 - o Need any assistance with college/job applications?
 - o Any barriers preventing you from things you need?
 - o How do you want to address them?
- Can you tell me about your support system (family, friends, other social groups)?

Goals and Needs

- What are your personal goals broadly or long-termly?
 - o What motivates you and brings you joy and satisfaction?
 - o What are your greatest strengths/abilities/traits things you do best?
- What change do you hope to achieve in the short term?
 - o What are 3 things you can start doing/do more often that use your strengths and bring you joy?
- What resources do you need to achieve those goals?
- Any barriers preventing you from accomplishing them?
- How can I assist you in accomplishing your goals?

Expectation for sport community and mentorship

- What are your expectations of me as a mentor?
- · What are your expectations of yourself?
- · Do you have any concerns as we move forward in our mentoring relationship?

Reflection and Sign the Agreement

- What do we both want to gain from this relationship?
- What goals will we work on in a 6-month period?

Mentorship Agreement

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| AACHW Mentoring Agreement | | | | | | | | | |
| below. Through discu | iduals entering into a one-on-one assion, commit to personal develope and confidentiality. Refer to this ment is between | oment goals, activities, comm | unications, time | | | | | | |
| | and | d | | | | | | | |
| DEVELOPMENT GOALS Goals serve as a roadmap for a mentoring relationship. Both mentor and mentee should set goals that describe what they would like to have accomplished within certain timeframes. | | | | | | | | | |
| Mentee goals: | | Mentor goals: | | | | | | | |
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| MENTORSHIP ACTIVITIES There are many activities that are appropriate in the context of mentorship. The activities that mentors typically engage in include coaching through specific problems, role modeling certain skills or approaches, providing direct instruction, advocating for opportunities, supporting through challenges, and career counseling. Mentee activities include identifying and introducing topics for discussion, bringing challenges and problems to the table, asking for advice, developing action plans in response to feedback, and providing upward feedback. In the space below, indicate activities that you intend to invest in. | | | | | | | | | |
| Mentee activities: | | Mentor activities: | | | | | | | |
| One of the most critic you can do to ensure | S & TIME INVESTMENT cal factors in mentoring is the frequent an effective mentoring relationship follow through with that plan. | | - | | | | | | |
| The person responsible | le for scheduling/rescheduling me | etings is: | | | | | | | |

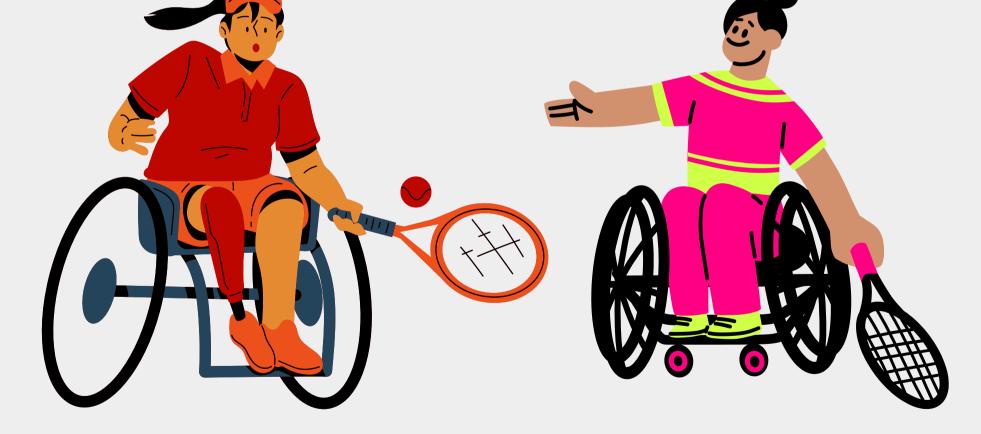




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Why should you be a Guía?

- As experienced athletes in the disability sport community, you have valuable experience and knowledge
- This is an opportunity to make an impact in other athletes' lives and make a difference in your community
- You will put your leadership skills to practice!
 - Communication
 - Problem-solving
 - Teaching
 - Organization



You will get paid!





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Let's Review!

- AACHW Project Goals
 - Identify and address needs in the LwMI community
- CHW vs. Guía
- Team Roles
 - o Principal Investigators, Resource Advocates, Guías, Athletes
- Guías' Responsibilities
 - Meet with athletes twice a month
 - Communicate with resource advocates and principal Investigators
- Time Commitment
 - Training + 6 hours a month for 18 months

- Compensation
 - \$20/hr
- Progress Notes
 - Input encouraged!
- Discussion Prompts
 - Possible topics of discussions to have with your athletes
- Mentorship Agreement
 - You and your athlete must communicate your expectations from this mentorship experience and sign off on it.





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