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Adaptive Mountain Bike Instructor Training and Certifications being offered by the Bike Instructor Certification Program in partnership with Disabled Sports USA’s Adapt2Achieve program.

Bellingham, WA – The Bike Instructor Certification Program is excited to announce that it will be offering Adaptive Mountain Bike Instructor Training and Certifications in partnership with Disabled Sports USA’s Adapt2Achieve program.

In partnership with the Bike Instructor Certification Program (BICP) and with support from the US Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), three training events will be offered at no cost to VA staff, adaptive sport providers, and others who serve disabled veterans (at no cost to the veterans). The curriculum will cover best practices for instructors to effectively teach disabled veterans and others with disabilities including but not limited to amputation, traumatic brain injury, and spinal cord injury.

“At the BICP our certifications provide a foundation for training while providing the necessary tools to lead and instruct safe, fun, and professional mountain bike rides focused on building confidence and progressions that enhance a rider’s self-esteem. We are excited to be working with Disabled Sports USA as we move forward in establishing the standards for adaptive mountain bike instructor curriculum,” said Shaums March, BICP curriculum developer and lead Instructor Trainer.

Organizations interested in serving as a host site must apply by December 9, 2019. Training dates and locations will be announced early 2020.

Adapt2Achieve, a program of Disabled Sports USA (DSUSA), promotes inclusion in sports and recreation by offering customized adaptive sport guidelines and training content for sports and community organizations. Over 100 trainings have been offered since 2009 in more than 30 states across the country.

For more information about the Adapt2Achieve program or other trainings offered by Disabled Sports USA, visit www.adapt2achieve.org.

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About the Bike Instructor Certification Program

The Bike Instructor Certification Program (BICP) offers professional training and certification for individuals who lead group rides or teach mountain bike skills clinics. The BICP is building on proven, successful methods nearly two decades in development, and aims to establish a global standard for mountain bike skills instructor training by demystifying the teaching process with structured progression. For more information about certifications and events with BICP, visit icp.bike.

About Disabled Sports USA

Disabled Sports USA is a national, charitable organization that provides opportunities for individuals with disabilities to develop independence, confidence and fitness through participation in sports. What began as a program to serve Vietnam veterans has since grown into one of the nation’s largest multi-sport, multi-disability organizations, annually serving more than 60,000 wounded warriors, youth and adults with disabilities. A member of the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee, Disabled Sports USA offers programs in more than 60 summer and winter sports through its nationwide network of 140 community-based chapters. For more information, visit disabledsportsusa.org.