



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF THE NORTH COUNTRY**

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**Boys & Girls Club of the North Country Hires
Sara Shovlin as Executive Director**

LISBON, N.H., March 2018— The Boys and Girls Club of North Country (BGCNC), today announces the hiring of Sara E. Shovlin as Executive Director. A Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist (CTRS) with experience in advising, teaching and working with other non-profit groups across the United States, Shovlin will help the staff, board members and volunteers fulfill the Boys and Girls Club mission of helping all young people, especially those who need them most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens. In her new role, Shovlin works with the BGCNC's staff, volunteers, children, and board of directors, along with other area agencies, to sustain and improve the organization's youth development efforts.

"Sara's diverse work background and exceptional track record make her an ideal fit for this position," noted BGCNC Chairperson William Bedor. "She's proven her ability to implement goal-oriented programs and has a strong belief in the Boys and Girls Club mission. She also has a long-established family history with and affinity for New Hampshire, and we welcome her to her new role."

Prior to joining the Boys and Girls Club of North Country, Shovlin served as an adjunct professor and academic advisor at Temple University in Philadelphia, where she advised 250 students. Shovlin has also served as a recreational therapist at Select Medical's Penn State Rehabilitation Hospital, in Hershey, Pennsylvania. In 2011, she received her Bachelor's degree in health and societies from the University of Pennsylvania. Shovlin also attended Temple University, where she earned her Master's in recreation therapy in 2014, as well as a certification for teaching in higher education in 2016.

Please join us at the Boys & Girls Club on March 28th at 6:15pm to welcome Sara to the North Country, to see our improvements to the Club, and to learn about our future plans.

BGCNC is a safe and affordable place for young people of the North Country, NH to enjoy fun, recreational and scholastic activities, to play, have fun, laugh and learn during non-school hours and during the summer months. Each child is afforded opportunities to build new skills that raise their belief that he or she can succeed and receive recognition for personal accomplishments. Programs and special events throughout the year support a commitment to allow our young people to learn, and to develop positive values, healthy habits and high expectations for success as an adult. The facility is open daily from 10:00am to 6:00pm, and is located at 2572 Route 302 in Lisbon, NH 03585 behind Evergreen Sports. Contact us at 603-838-5954 or at sara@BGCNorthCountry.org. You can also visit us on the web at <http://bgcnorthcountry.org>.