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# **SPECIAL OLYMPICS 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**AN EXCLUSIVE REPORT:**

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**RARE DOES NOT  
MEAN ALONE**

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**TOWARD HIGH-QUALITY  
and ACCESSIBLE CARE**

Special Olympics  
International Chairman  
Dr. Timothy Shriver  
and Surgeon General VADM  
Jerome M. Adams





# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## Igniting Change Summit Sparks Special Olympics; Dr. Rick Rader Honored by Golisano Foundation

Between July 1-6, 2018 Seattle welcomed 4,000 athletes and coaches from across the country for the 2018 Special Olympics USA Games. Athletes competed in 14 different sports, joined by 10,000 family members, 10,000 volunteers and 50,000 cheering fans.

Preceding the Games, Special Olympics, in partnership with the American Academy of Developmental Medicine and Dentistry (AADMD) brought together a group of U.S.-based health influencers for a special event, Igniting Change: Inclusive Health Summit, at the AADMD 16th Annual Educational Conference. Inclusive Health is the inclusion of people with intellectual disabilities (ID) in mainstream health policies and laws, programming, and services, training programs, research and funding streams.

At the Igniting Change event, attendees learned about Inclusive Health and what their organizations can do to help bridge health disparities that people with ID commonly face. They heard from those who have made strides in inclusive health and how their organizations and their communities have benefitted from becoming more inclusive.

The Surgeon General of the United States, VADM Jerome M. Adams delivered the keynote address at the Special Olympics Healthy Athletes symposium. The Surgeon General's recognition of the need to improve access to inclusive healthcare for individuals with intellectual disabilities is a reflection of his motto, "Better health through better partnerships."



### BEING THE CHANGE:

(Above) Dr. Timothy Shriver, Chairman of Special Olympics International, shares the spotlight with the Surgeon General of the United States, VADM Jerome M. Adams (right). Dr. Adams' keynote address focused on forging strong relationships within the public health community and exploring new partnerships with businesses and law enforcement.

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Dr. Rader and Ann Costello

The Golisano Foundation's Move to Include Award was presented to Dr. Rick Rader, Director of the Morton J. Kent Habilitation Center at Orange Grove Center and Editor in Chief of the award-winning *Exceptional Parent* magazine on June 29, 2018 at the AADMD 1 Voice Conference in Seattle, Washington.

Golisano Foundation Executive Director Ann Costello presented the award, noting that Rick originally wrote the Move to Include award description when it was

launched, and believes and acts in the purest realm of the essence of "move of include," believing in sanctity, value and merit of "together," and knowing that "together" transcends inclusion.

The award is given in the hope that the understanding of "include" can be elevated, promoted, ingrained and demonstrated at the highest levels of human behavior. The award is named after the Move to Include initiative launched in 2013 to advance inclusion in all aspects of our community.