**Special Olympics Iowa Program Report**

 **September 27, 2017**

**#1. Fall Area Coaches Meetings:** Area Coaches meetings are held each fall so that the State Office can disseminate information on updates in our Coaches’ Guide and in any new practices/procedures for the upcoming year. This year we continued training Delegation Managers and Coaches on navigating our website as they register and coach their athletes. We also rolled out our new SOIA Release and Medical Forms program that will go into effect January 1, 2018.

**#2. Area Bowling Competitions:** The 11 Areas will be conducting Area Bowling Competitions beginning on September 27th and running through October 21st. First place qualifiers from each Area will advance to the State Bowling Tournament on November 19th. Over 900 bowlers will participate at the 3 State Bowling sites. NW, SW and SC will compete in Council Bluffs. WC, NC, N and C Areas will compete in Des Moines. E, EC, SE and NE will compete in Cedar Rapids.

**#3. Updated Class A, New Athlete and New Delegation numbers: (April 24-September 22)**

New Class A credentials- 331 and total of 652 since January 1

Renewed Class A credentials- 134 and total of 260 since January 1

Minor Class A credentials- 61 and total of 162 since January 1

New Delegations- 29 total since January 1

Coach Trainings- 110 and total of 233 have gone on line to take trainings since January 1

New unique athletes- 352 and total of 580 since January 1

Summer Games Volunteers- 1,653 (this doesn’t included walk-ins since these were not recorded)

**#4. Program Event numbers for 2017: (See the attached spreadsheet for current numbers)**