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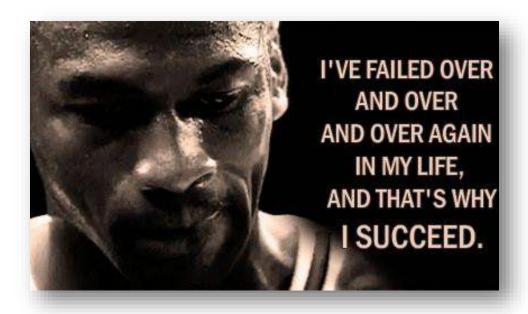
Sport and Resilience

SPORT AND RESILIENCE



RESILIENCE DEFINITION

- ✓ Process which is built up by an individual over time through situations which encourage to overcome adversity, by developing coping strategies to deal with these situations and become a mentally stronger individual.
- ✓ Process of, capacity for, or outcome of successful adaptation despite challenging or threatening circumstances.



RESILIENCE CHARACTERISTICS

Resilience implies two conditions: *adversity* and *positive adaptation* despite this adversity.

In this sense, adaptation is the athlete's ability and capacity to act and react competently to stressors perceived as significant in a sport context by restoring an internal sense of emotional and psychological balance.

ADVERSITY



POSITIVE ADAPTATION

THE IMPACT OF LACK OF RESILIENCE

- ✓ Developing Stress.
- ✓ Anger & frustration.
- ✓ Disappointment.
- ✓ Feelings of failure.
- ✓ Decreased confidence.



HOW CAN YOU BECOME MORE RESILIENT?

- ✓ Develop mindfulness, practice being more present.
- Change the ability to understand what's in your control.
- ✓ Learn to refocus, practice bringing your focus back to whatever you are doing.
- ✓ Be patient, this will take time to develop.



RESILIENCE IN SPORT EXAMPLE: CHRIS WRIGHT

- ✓ First NBA player with multiple sclerosis.
- ✓ Doctors and everyone around him tried to make him see that his sports life was coming to an end at only 23 years old.
- ✓ Wright overcame what seemed like an anticipated sports final and signed for lowa Energy, with averages of annotation that served to him to obtain a contract by the Dallas Mavericks.



RESILIENCE IN SPORT EXAMPLE: BETHANY HAMILTON

- ✓ This 23-year-old Hawaiian was attacked by a shark while practicing the sport she most enjoyed at the age of 13.
- ✓ The shark severed her left arm at shoulder height.
- ✓ Four years later, Bethany made it to the professional category, taking second place at the ASP Junior World Championship in 2009.



RESILIENCE IN SPORT EXAMPLE: SIMONE BILES

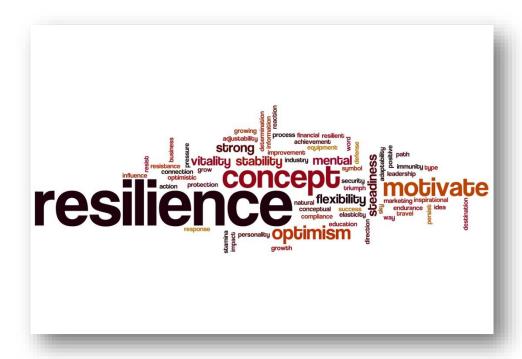
- ✓ Simone Biles never knew her father, and her mother, addicted to drugs, abandoned her at the age of three in an orphanage.
- ✓ She was sexually abused by Lawrence Nassar, a former doctor for the US gymnastics team.
- ✓ Simone Biles has become the most successful gymnast in history by claiming her fifth world title.



CONCLUSIONS

Athletes continually face a variety of stressors and adversities that may become a hurdle in performing well. Resilience can help athletes to cope with such difficult situations.

The cases of Chris Wright, Bethany Hamilton and Simone Biles are an example of resilience for everybody.



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