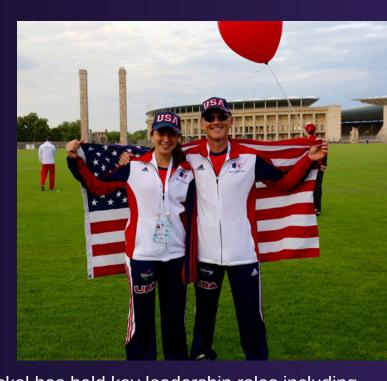


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MARC BACKAL

Marc Backal has devoted years to Maccabi USA and the global Maccabi movement, combining his medical expertise with leadership at multiple international competitions. He has served as Team Physician at the Maccabiah since 2013, along with the Pan American and European Games in Berlin, Chile, Mexico City, Budapest, and Buenos Aires, including as lead Physician for Israel 2015, 2018, 2022, 2024, and will be in 2026.





Backal has held key leadership roles including chairing the Medical Advisory Committee (2017–present), serving as a Maccabi USA Board Member (2015–present), and Treasurer (2022–present). He has served on the Strategic Planning, Personnel, and Scholarship Committees, created the Tikun Olam community service project known as MVP, Maccabi Vision Project. He also served as Overall Chair of the first Maccabi Youth Games (Israel 2018), cochaired the Pan Am Games in Argentina (2024), will chair the Israel Connect Program in 2026, and leads the MWU International Operations Committee (2017–present), helping to shape the global Maccabi community.