

Southern California Special Education Administrators

Particulars:

Cost:
\$ 50.00

Date: Tuesday,
November 27, 2018

Location:
LACOE
Education Center West
Conf. Room "A"
12830 Columbia Way
Downey, CA 90242

Time:
8:00 a.m. Registration
8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Target Audience:
All School
Administrators, Program
Specialists, School
Psychologists

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Legal Implications on Discipline, Suspension/ Expulsion, and Restraint & Seclusion of Students with Special Needs

This workshop will provide participants with legal updates on discipline, suspension/expulsion, and restraints/seclusion of students with disabilities. Participants will be given an in-depth overview of the use of restraints including the definition of force and antecedents giving rise to the use of physical restraints. Mrs. Dalessandro will discuss current case law related to these topics. Additionally, Mrs. Alvey and Ms. Warsofsky will provide guidance on the use of Behavior Emergency Reports (BER) and district responsibilities associated with the BER.

Presenters

Summer Dalessandro, Attorney
Fagen Friedman and Fulfrost

Stacy Alvey
Mental Health Coordinator, Antelope Valley SELPA

Avra Warsofsky,
Program Specialist, Foothill SELPA

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Presenter's Biography:

Summer Dalessandro is a partner in F3's San Diego office. A highly respected education law attorney, Ms. Dalessandro is a member of the firm's Student Services and Special Education Practice Group. She has extensive experience advising school districts across the state on all aspects of special education law and practices, including administrative hearings, federal court appeals, mediations, and the Individualized Education Program (IEP) process.

As a seasoned advisor and trainer, Ms. Dalessandro provides counsel at both at the school site and administrative levels. She is also a popular speaker, sharing her knowledge on a broad spectrum of special education topics, as well student discipline, board governance, investigations, the Brown Act, and public records requests. Ms. Dalessandro is a frequent presenter at many conferences and symposia, including the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA), California Association of School Business Officials (CASBO), and the California Council of School Attorneys (CCSA).

Ms. Dalessandro earned her Juris Doctor from the University of San Diego School of Law and studied abroad in the area of comparative constitutional law Oxford University. She holds a bachelor's degree from Cornell University. A member of the California State Bar, Ms. Dalessandro is admitted to practice before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and the Southern, Central, and Northern Districts of California, as well as in the state of Minnesota.

Stacy Alvey is the Coordinator of Mental Health Services for the Antelope Valley SELPA. She received her Master's in Social Work in 1997 from the University of Southern California, taking a position with the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (DMH) as a psychiatric social worker, and became licensed as a Clinical Social Worker in 2003. She provided a broad range of mental health services in this position and served as the Transitional Youth Coordinator in her DMH service area. Stacy obtained a credential in School Psychology in 2006 from California State University, San Bernardino, and worked for six years as a district school psychologist prior to becoming the Mental Health Coordinator for the SELPA in 2012, where she provides support and training in the areas of mental health and behavior. She serves on a regional training committee, which developed a regional positive behavior intervention handbook and trains staff in the use of behavior intervention. Additionally, she currently serves as the Greater Los Angeles Area SELPAs (GLAAS) AB114 Transition Task Force Co-Chair. She has been a PENT Cadre member since 2013.

Avra Warsofsky, M.S., BCBA is a Program Specialist/School Psychologist with the Foothill SELPA, Glendale, California. Ms. Warsofsky works with the SELPAs programs for students with an Emotional Disturbance (ED). She has been in this position with the Foothill SELPA since 2007. In addition, Avra has participated in the development and facilitation of behavior trainings for the Greater Los Angeles Areas SELPAs (GLAAS) and behavior trainings across the Foothills SELPA. Ms. Warsofsky is a certified trainer of Non-Violent Crisis Intervention (NCI) and is a member of the statewide Positive Environments Network of Trainers (PENT) cadre since 2005. Avra's background also includes working as a Staff Research Associate II-Supervisor with the UCLA/RAND Center for Adolescent Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, which is funded through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).