



SPECIAL EDUCATION SEMINAR

Holiday Inn Cleveland South

Independence, Ohio

February 6, 2026

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8:20 – 8:50

REGISTRATION

8:50 – 9:00

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

9:00 – 9:45

IT'S NOT WHAT YOU WRITE, IT'S HOW YOU WRITE IT: DOCUMENTING WITH INTENTIONALITY

Brian J. DeSantis, Esq.

- Drafting PR-01s to achieve understanding & support decisions
- Standardizing progress reports and improving how are goals written
- Avoiding parent communication pitfalls

9:45 – 10:30

FBAS, BIPS, AND MORE: ADDRESSING BEHAVIORS THAT IMPEDE LEARNING

Taryn Weiss Derin, Esq.

- Why review of service contracts is important
- Avoiding costly fees, charges, and termination costs
- Ensuring compliance with state and federal law with your service contracts

10:30 – 10:45

BREAK

10:45 – 11:30

DON'T BE DELIBERATELY INDIFFERENT: RESPONDING TO CLAIMS OF BULLYING AND HARASSMENT

Donna M. Andrew, Esq.

- Knowing and understanding the applicable Board policies
- Investigation and reporting requirements
- Best practices for training and professional development

11:30 – 12:30

LUNCH

12:30 – 1:15

NURSING AND OTHER HEALTH SERVICES UNDER THE IDEA

Jacqueline Walsh
Brickman, Esq.

- Properly reviewing medical records and reports
- Appropriately delegating nursing services
- Documenting services in IHPs versus IEPs

1:15 – 2:00

CONTRACTING FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Christian M. Williams, Esq.

- Why review of service contracts is important
- Avoiding costly fees, charges, and termination costs
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2:00 – 2:15

BREAK

2:15 – 3:00

LESSONS LEARNED IN 2025 AND LOOKING AHEAD TO 2026

Immy Singh, Esq.

- Key state education agency and court cases
- Guidance from the Department of Education and Workforce and the U.S. Department of Education.