

Mental Health Legal Expert **Carolyn R. Wolf** will be a panelist on the forthcoming webinar titled “Parent Involvement: 5 Legal and Practical Issues When Including – and Not Including – Parents in Higher Education”

About:

Parents are becoming more and more involved in the life of their college students, and ultimately the life of colleges. Institutions are starting to design special programs and intentionally fostering relationships with parent groups.

However, this college/parent relationship **can be confusing, gray at times and sticky to maneuver**. Higher education continues to tackle the questions of **how to best involve parents -- or not involve parents ---** in areas such as mental health treatment, residential life, academic issues, health services and the student conduct process.

Join us as we address **the common mistakes staff and faculty make** when they fail to include parents in critical decisions such as: hospitalization, alcohol and drug violations; and how we can learn to better manage parents who are upset, emotional, confused and frustrated as they transition to their new role.

This webinar will review five common campus departments and the pros and cons of involving --- or not involving --- a parent as issues develop. We will review legal and practical issues that will help guide administrators in their decision making and explore ways to improve communication and minimize legal risk.

The program will include several case studies and opportunities for interactive sharing and dialogue about how to include parents in their students’ education and ways to address and facilitate parents in the “letting go” process.

Panelists:

Dr. Brian Van Brunt ([click here for full bio](#))
Carolyn Reinach Wolf ([click here for full bio](#))

Topics Covered

Participants will:

- 1) Explore and understand the relationship between parents and higher education when it comes to:
 - Student Mental Health
 - Residential Living
 - Academic Success
 - Health Services
 - Student Conduct
- 2) Understand how to reduce legal risk and liability of a lawsuit by including parents during emergencies and key decision making processes.
- 3) Learn how to work with frustrated and angry parents to better address their concerns and redirect them to the correct department.
- 4) Understand key laws and regulations that govern institution/parental communication such as: HIPAA, FERPA, judicial/conduct hearing processes, and how to explain these regulations to parents and students.

CEUs

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Date/Time:

Tuesday, February 15, 2011 2:00pm ET

Length:

Approx. 90 minutes

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