



Title IX Conference for K-12: Assessing Risk, Regulation, and Documentation

Two-days of discussions, quick takes, and group teaching that will inform and enhance your Title IX process

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THURSDAY MARCH 9

7:30 – 8:30 Registration

8:30 – 10:00 Panel Discussion: Doing Triage Well

A central concern related to Title IX cases is determining what is required to be handled through the Title IX process and what is handled by other departments such as guidance, student discipline, special education, 505/ADA, or an informal discussion. Join us for this interactive panel discussion as we address the best process for intake, adopting a trauma informed approach, and the importance of equity in the overall process.

10:00 – 10:30 Break & Networking

10:30 – 11:00 Quick Takes (10:30-11:00): Setting Up Your Office for Safety

Join Dr. Brian Van Brunt as he presents an engaging, visual presentation on the dos and don'ts when it comes to setting up your office for success. Drawing from situational awareness and evidence-based safety standards, he will share ways to be prepared in case of an escalation

11:00 – 12:00 Group Teaching: Informal Resolution Process

What is the informal resolution process and when is it appropriate to use in a case? Join our experts as we talk through how and when to offer this approach as an option and when it should be avoided. We will discuss the importance of setting clear expectations around information sharing and documentation, who should be involved, what happens if the process is not successful, and what rights are in place for both the complainant and responding parties.

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 1:45 Quick Takes: Interviewing Insights Part I

Join Betsy Smith as she shares her wisdom regarding interviewing and information gathering in an effective and efficacious manner. She will discuss the importance of building rapport setting clear expectations, asking the right questions, and attending to the answers given.

1:45 – 2:30 Quick Takes: Interviewing Insights Part II

Listen as Dr. Brian Van Brunt shares some thoughts about the psychology of interviewing from his experience in threat assessment, differential diagnosis, and psychotherapy. Learn from Brian as he shares his approach to information gathering in the Title IX process, including showing empathy, de-escalating anger, deception detecting, and re-directing parties during the interview process.

2:30 – 3:00 Break & Networking

3:00 – 4:00 Panel Discussion: Interpersonal Violence: Risk, Safety and Response

Join our panel as we touch on the difficult issue of interpersonal violence. We will review the expectations related to a Title IX response as well as address the criminal and law enforcement elements of these challenging cases. Additional insight will be shared on how to help a friend during these times, the challenges of no-contact orders given social media and a smaller community setting, and how to manage the ups and downs of dating violence.

FRIDAY MARCH 10

8:30 – 9:15 Group Teaching: Teaching Consent: Legal and Aspirational Considerations

What better way to start the morning than an invigorating discussion about the challenges of teaching consent from a legal and aspirational perspective? While the legal definitions of consent are clear, the challenge is related to how we share these expectations with our students and the role (and challenges) of consent education in the primary school setting. Skip the coffee, this session will wake you up!

9:15 – 10:00 Quick Takes: Tracking and Implementing Supportive Measures

Join ICS staff as they share the importance of tracking and implementing supportive measures in a consistent and effective manner.

10:00 – 10:30 Break & Networking

10:30 – 12:00 Group Teaching: Violence Risk Assessment and Emergency Removal Evaluations: Title IX and BIT Working Together

Learn what is involved in an individualized safety/risk analysis and how these differ from other assessments. We will discuss the differences between this assessment and mental health or triage assessments and the importance of mitigating bias and ensuring an equitable process for all parties involved.

1:00 – 4:30 Optional Post-Con: Conducting a Violence Risk Assessment

Join Dr. Brian Van Brunt as he guides you through the basics of how to conduct an individualized safety/risk analysis. This session will review the importance of understanding the modes of violence, assessing risk and protective factors, determining transient versus substantive threats, and using clear and consistent documentation to reduce legal risk. (Additional ticket required.)