

Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.

Youth Advocate Programs, Inc. (YAP) has been in existence since 1975. YAP focuses on non-residential, community-based programming.

YAP currently operates 125 programs in 75 counties across 13 states and Washington DC. YAP also has programs in the United Kingdom and Ireland. We provide support and assistance to sister agencies in Guatemala, Sierra Leone, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Hawaii.

YAP began by providing services for troubled adolescents and has expanded to provide a number of services that support children, adolescents, families and people with developmental disabilities.

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*Wrightslaw
Special Education
and Advocacy
Conference*



October 18, 2007

**Holiday Inn
Harrisburg East**

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About Wrightslaw...

Wrightslaw Special Education and Advocacy Conference, a Wrightslaw training program with Pete Wright and Pam Wright, is being brought to you by Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.

This one-day special education law and advocacy program will focus on four areas:

- * special education law, rights and responsibilities
- * tests and measurements to measure progress & regression
- * SMART IEPs
- * introduction to tactics & strategies for effective advocacy

Wrightslaw programs are designed to meet the needs of parents, educators, health care providers, advocates and attorneys who represent children with disabilities regarding special education. The program is not disability specific.

Please visit www.wrightslaw.com for more information about this conference and other Wrightslaw programs.

Agenda

8:00-9:00	Registration & Morning Refreshments
9:00-10:30	Introductions; Review of Agenda; Pre-test
	Overview: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Reauthorized IDEA of 2004
	Section 1400 - Findings & Purposes
	Section 1401 - Definitions
	Section 1412 - "Catchall Statute" - Least Restrictive Environment (LRE), 10-day notice re: private placements, Assessments, ESY
	Review
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-12:00	Section 1414(d) - Evaluations, Reevaluations, Individualized Educational Programs (IEPs)
	Section 1415 - Procedural Safeguards
	Review: IDEA
	Section 504; No Child Left Behind Act
	Tests & Measurements & the Bell Curve
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:30	Review: IDEA & Tests & Measurements & the Bell Curve
	SMART IEPs
	Crisis! Emergency! Help!
	Reasons for Conflict; Obstacles to Success
	Rule of Adverse Assumptions
	Exam
2:30-2:45	Break
2:45-4:00	Advocacy Strategies
	Negotiation Skills
	How to Organize the Child's File
	Comprehensive Psychoeducational Evaluation
	Paper Trails & Letters; "Letter to the Stranger"
	Preparing for School Meetings; Survival Strategies
4:00-4:30	Questions and Answers

Registration Form

Name _____

Agency _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone _____

**Registration and payment may be sent to:
Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.
Attn: Wrightslaw
815 Cumberland Street
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Make checks payable to YAP Inc.**

**For questions and registration information please contact:
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Parents are invited to participate at no cost. For educators and other professionals the cost is \$25 per person.

CEU and CLE certificates are an additional \$9. Act 48 credit hours are available through HACC.

Your registration includes morning refreshments and lunch, along with Wrightslaw: Special Education Law, 2nd Edition and Wrightslaw: From Emotions to Advocacy, 2nd Edition (\$50.00 combined retail value).