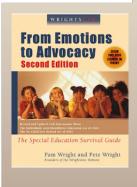
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January 31st

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From Emotions To Advocacy Agenda

8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration 9:00-10:30 a.m. Session 1

- Section 1: Getting Started
- Creating the Advocate's IEP, the Master Plan
- Taming the Paper Trail
- Goals and Strategies for the Advocate
- The Parent as Project Manager
- Advocacy 101: Learning the Rules of the Game

10:30-10:45 a.m. Break 10:45-12:00 p.m. Session 2

- Obstacles to Success, Resolving Parent/School
- Conflicts, Emergency, Crisis, Help
- Evaluations and Your Child's Disability
- Tests and Measurements 101

12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch provided

1:00-2:30 p.m. Session 3

- The Bell Curve
- Charting Test Scores
- Smart IEPs
- Overview of IDEA Findings, Purposes and Definitions
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- No Child Left Behind

2:30-2:45 p.m. Break

2:45-4:00 p.m.

- Rule of Adverse Assumptions
- Taming the Paper Trail
- IEP Meeting Strategies
- Putting it all together

4:00-4:30 p.m. Q & A

Registration Information

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- Full 1-day conference attendance
- From Emotions To Advocacy conference textbook
- All About IEPs supplementary book
- Lunch

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