

Serving English Language Learners with Disabilities: Compliance Solutions

A Facilitated Audio-conference and Discussion hosted by ESC Region 13

April 15, 2014 10:45 am-2:00 pm

Network with Section 504 Coordinators, Special Education Directors, Dyslexia Coordinators, and Bilingual Coordinators. PLEASE arrive at 10:45 am. The Audio-conference will begin at 11:00 a.m. Discussion will follow. Bring a sack lunch or grab something to eat at the Region 13 café.

Register: Serving ELLs with Disabilities and Compliance Solutions

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Given the growing number of ELLs in schools today, schools must continually revisit and carefully assess their policies and procedures to ensure compliance with civil rights and education laws.

In this 90-minute audio-conference, distinguished attorney Elena Gallegos will provide guidance from the U.S. Department of Education and Department of Justice, and case law from courts and hearing officers, so you and your staff can address common problems such as:

- Issues that result from a lack of bilingual evaluators and special education teachers
- Underrepresentation of ELLs in special education due to fear of overrepresentation
- Improperly encouraging parents to opt out of ELL programs in favor of special education
- Conducting IEP meetings without considering the child's level of English language proficiency and how it affects related services to ensure FAPE
- And more!

These issues are relevant not only to Special Education and Bilingual administrators, but also to Section 504 and Dyslexia Coordinators.

Meet the Presenter

Elena Gallegos, Esq., heads the New Mexico office of Walsh Anderson. A former special education teacher, her practice emphasizes special education litigation. From 2000-2005, in addition to practicing law, she served as a Program Specialist with the Mountain Plains Regional Resource Center, which is funded by the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs, to provide technical assistance to state departments of education in 10 states. She is a well-known speaker throughout the country on issues of school law.

