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**CAMPUS SAFETY
& MENTAL HEALTH**
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Creating Community Wellness:

Equity and Inclusion in Student Mental Health

Student Accessibility and Mental Health Services: Leveraging a Relationship for Collaborative Advocacy

Session Description:

Partnerships between campus accessibility/disability services and mental health services are unique and can support opportunities to create change within institutional systems. This presentation will explore the *why's* and *how's* of accessibility/disability and mental health services offices partnerships – including how to initiate establishing a more positive, collaborative relationship, informal and formal relationship components, identify the benefits to both offices to having this type of relationship and overcome potential barriers (real or perceived) between the two offices. These two offices have the potential to come together to collaboratively advocate for not only individual students but also institutional and systemic change. The presenters will also explore how the offices can support each other for mutual growth and attendance to office and service needs. Attendees will hear real examples of how the presenters have collaborated to mutually support their offices and also bring attention to issues that need addressed in their campus systems.

Learning Objectives:

- Attendees will gain insight and understanding of the importance of campus accessibility/disability and mental health services having a positive, collaborative, and mutually supportive relationship.
- Attendees will learn action steps they can take to establish and strengthen the relationship between campus accessibility/disability and mental health services at their institution and explore potential obstacles (and solutions) to this relationship.
- Attendees will learn examples of how the offices can collaborate effectively to be a united force for advocacy at the systemic level, including how these offices can mutually support each other's initiatives and attend to needs.

Link to join:

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