

# CAROLYN REINACH WOLF, J.D.

Attorney ♦ Consultant ♦ Speaker



## TOPICS OF EXPERTISE

- Mental health and healthcare law, including mental health warrants and involuntary treatment for psychiatric issues.
- Incapacity determinations in misconduct cases involving alcohol and other drugs.
- Informed consent best practices.
- Confidentiality laws, matters related to the release of records, and parental notification best practices.
- Civil and criminal litigation and negotiation specific to mental health issues.
- Legal interventions in the inpatient, outpatient, and campus counseling treatment settings.
- The intersection of mental health with campus behavior and law enforcement matters.
- Legal and risk management issues related to mental illness on campus and student suicide.
- Managing institutional liability and professional liability of campus staff and administrators.

## SYNOPSIS

As a former Hospital Administrator and Risk Management Director and current practicing attorney in the area of mental health law, Carolyn Reinach Wolf is uniquely positioned to help educational institutions navigate complex scenarios involving students experiencing acute mental health issues. Her legal expertise spans everything from involuntary treatment of psychiatric cases to confidentiality laws and record-sharing matters. Having represented mental health care professionals, hospitals and hospital systems, outpatient programs, higher education counseling centers, individuals, and families, she brings experience and perspective to the table.

## BIO

- Affiliated Consultant, The NCHERM Group, LLC. ([www.ncherm.org](http://www.ncherm.org)).
- Executive Partner, Abrams Fensterman, LLP in Long Island; Director of the Firm's Mental Health Law practice.
- 2017 President, National Behavioral Intervention Team Association ([www.nabita.org](http://www.nabita.org)).
- Developed seminars, published a myriad of scholarly articles, and lectured extensively in many areas of health care law, including those related to the college setting.
- Admitted to practice law in New York State and federal courts, as well as the U.S. Supreme Court.
- Served as a Hospital Administrator and Director of Risk Management prior to practicing law.
- Has and continues to hold elected positions in the Association for Healthcare Risk Management of New York State; Chairperson of the Education Committee; New York State Bar Association, Health Law Section, Co-Chair of Subcommittee on Mental Health Law; Nassau County Bar Association; and National Behavioral Intervention Team Association, President-Elect.
- Co-Chairperson, New York State Bar Committee on Mental Health Issues.

## MEDIA AVAILABILITY

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