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Recently, the United States was battered by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria leaving thousands in the Gulf Coast, Southeast, and the Caribbean regions displaced due to life-threatening floods. Western states were also recently ravaged by wildfires, forcing many to evacuate their homes. With schools just getting started, displaced children and youth living in shelters, hotels, motels, or with family members and friends will need to enroll in schools they were attending before disaster hit or in new schools where they are temporarily residing. Now that disaster relief efforts are underway, advocates will play a critical role in ensuring displaced students have equal access to free appropriate public education.

Join our panel of experts to discuss ways you can help ensure educational continuity and stability for students displaced by Irma, Harvey, and other disasters, particularly students with disabilities, and how you can address their legal needs that often go beyond the classrooms. Participants will hear from local advocates on what's happening on the ground, what the current needs are, and what barriers displaced students have been experiencing. Participants will learn laws, policies, and best practices to coordinate and collaborate with other advocates, and resources available to support children and youth who have disabilities and/or have been displaced by disasters.

The Law Center, in collaboration with the Council of Parent Attorneys and Advocates, Inc. and the Southern Legal Counsel, will host a webinar on addressing the post-disaster legal needs of displaced students on Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 3:30pm ET - 5pm ET.

Speakers for the webinar include:

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