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## Update to Federal Guidance on Discipline with McAndrewsLaw

## Presention by Michael J. Connolly, Supervising Partner

- In July 2022, the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (OCR) and Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) issued guidance on behavior support and discipline of students with disabilities.
- OCR and OSEP make clear the expectation that schools must find ways to support behavior related needs without first resorting to suspension and/or expulsion
- Attorney Connolly will break down the six guidance documents
- Attendees will learn how to use this information to advocate for appropriate practices with respect to disciplining of students with disabilities
- The presentation will review how the guidance requires that school-based police officers must make reasonable modifications in interacting with students with disabilities

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