

VICTIM SERVICES & Ethical Considerations

Hosted by the Ohio Victim Services Bar Association



Join three expert faculty for a training on important ethical considerations and best practices for working with victims and survivors of crime. CLE credit provided for registered attorneys, no fee for those not seeking CLEs.

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Course Descriptions

Ethically Representing Victims Through Trauma-Informed Lawyering

This session will study the basic principals of trauma-informed lawyering, provide simple and effective interventions participants can use in their practices working with victims, and explain how this approach will support a more ethical practice. This presentation will include discussion of Ohio Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1, 1.2(b), 1.4, 1.6, 1.7, 1.8, 1.14, 2.1.

Providing Choices to Sexual Assault Survivors in Context of Civil Protection Orders, Title IX, and Criminal Justice Proceedings

This session will explain research supporting why the encouragement of making personal choices contributes to better mental health outcomes for survivors of sexual violence, provide an overview of how to provide more options throughout the processes of obtaining a civil protection order, Title IX administrative procedure, and the criminal justice process. This presentation will highlight application of Ohio Rules 1.2, 1.4, 1.14, 3.1, and 3.8.

Ethical Considerations When Working with Victims with Limited English Proficiency

Taking the practice of law from an issue spotting and single legal concern representation to a holistic legal representation, participants will gain insight on working with the limited English speaking and non-US citizen communities and the various considerations associated with their representation. Participants will look at issues concerning (1) Informed consent and whether or not they are adequately receiving it with clients (Rule 1.0 and Rule 1.4) , (2) Scope of representing clients and the interconnectedness of various areas of law, including immigration (Rule 1.1 and Rule 1.2), and (3) the importance of working with other necessary professionals (Rule 2.1). This presentation will also discuss access to justice and fairness in the courts through use of interpreters, translators, and other culturally-competent support.



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