

# ASPA e-Conference – Spring 2025

**Monday – April 7, 2025** *(all times Eastern; breakout room after each session for continued discussion)*

**11:00 am - 12:00 pm – Business Continuity Planning for Accreditors**

- Real IT issues and how accreditors responded
- IT risk management strategies
- Succession and operational plans

**Todd Neuharth**, Director of Accreditation, Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education

**Ashley Ahearn-Szymanski**, Associate Director of Accreditation, Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education

**Teresa Brininger**, Director of Accreditation, Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education

**Jeff Reiter**, Chief Executive Officer, RWK IT Services

**Heidi Vellenga**, Executive Director, Commission on English Language Program Accreditation

**12:30 pm - 1:30 pm – Balancing Prescription and Flexibility in Accreditation Requirements**

- Professional competencies and assessment
- Class time and faculty requirements

**Priya Lorenzen**, Associate Director, Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education

**Angela Kennedy**, Chief Executive Officer, Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education

**Samantha Morello**, Associate Director, American Veterinary Medical Association

**Mark Spence**, Director of Strategic Initiatives, National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences

**2:00 pm - 3:00 pm – Artificial Intelligence for Programs and Accreditors**

- Guiding programs in the appropriate use of AI
- Using AI to facilitate accreditation processes

**Kristen Varol**, Director, Accreditation Services, Council on Education for Public Health

**Suzanne Mintz**, Vice President, Accreditation, Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business

**Tuesday – April 8, 2025** *(all times Eastern; breakout room after each session for continued discussion)*

**11:00 am - 12:00 pm – Supporting Programs with Documentation and Guidance**

- Workshops
- Templates and sample evidence
- Feedback

**Kristen Varol**, Director, Accreditation Services, Council on Education for Public Health

**Emily Albers**, Senior Accreditation Specialist, Council on Education for Public Health

**Crissy Lewis**, Associate Director of Accreditation, Council on Chiropractic Education

**Keri Nunn-Ellison**, Senior Director, Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing

**12:30 pm - 1:30 pm – Coaching and Feedback for Volunteer Success**

- Board Coaching – structure, expectations and communication
- Providing objective feedback for site visitors

**Ron Kruzel**, Executive Director, Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting

**Gina Scarboro**, Executive Director, Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs

**Khairi Scott**, Accreditation Specialist, Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools

**2:00 pm – 3:00 pm – Appeals and Arbitration – A Legal Perspective**

**John Przepyszny**, Partner, Faegre Drinker Biddle & Reath