

K&A and Friends to Present at NASPA Annual Conference

March 4

Pre-Conference Workshop

Addressing Student Mental Health: Understanding the Past in order to Plan for the Future

121C - Convention Center
9:00am-12:00pm

Counseling services on college campuses began for a specific purpose during an era of great change in higher education—the influx of veterans into college after WWII. As student needs have changed over time, so have the models by which services are offered. Participants will learn the historical context, factors driving change and current models to inform and facilitate their thinking about meeting future needs.

Richard Keeling, M.D., Principal and Senior Executive Consultant

Ruperto Perez, Ed.D., Associate Vice President for Student Health and Wellbeing, Alabama

Suzanne Onorato, Ph.D., Executive Director of Student Health Services, UCONN



Transitional Leadership: Opportunities for Visionary Interim Administrators

March 5 - 109B - Convention Center - 9:05am-9:55am

Student affairs leadership has never been as important as it is now in the changing world of higher education as we face the rapid transitions of campus leaders. NASPA and Keeling & Associates partner to provide opportunities for experienced senior administrators to assist institutions in providing excellent leadership during times of transition. Join us to learn if this process meets your campus or professional needs and expectations.

Jan Walbert, Ed.D., Vice President and Senior Consultant for Executive Search, K&A

Kathleen MacKay, Ph.D., Interim Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students, Washington State University

L. Christopher Miller, J.D., Ph.D. Associate Vice President & Dean of Students, Clemson University



March 5

Strategic Thinking for Student Affairs Leaders

Salon C - Marriott Downtown
9:05am-9:55am

Planning is a fact of life for staff at all levels of an institution. A key to successful planning is soliciting open and honest feedback from all members of the campus community. If a leader is not open to hearing the truth, the plan can be developed but it is not likely to succeed. Capitalizing on their experience, the panelists will share strategies they have used to solicit information from campus groups. When participants return to campus, they will have additional tools they can use in their own planning efforts.

Gage E. Paine, J.D., Ph.D., Senior Consultant, K&A

Brian Haynes, Ph.D., Vice President for Student Affairs, California State University-San Bernardino

Eric Narburgh, M.A., Consultant and Project Director, K&A

March 6

Supporting Student Mental Health Across Campus

Salon G - Marriott Downtown - 11:15am-12:05pm

The need for increased attention to the mental health challenges of students is well understood, and institutions are responding to the degree possible with expanded staff in counseling centers along with an increased focus on resiliency, wellness, and self-care. The panel will discuss strategies to engage administrators, colleagues in other Student Affairs units, faculty, academic leaders, and other members of the campus community in these efforts. Discussion will focus on strategies to reach out, motivate, and provide resources to those who interact with students every day and are, therefore, in a position to identify and provide a level of assistance and referral to a student in need.

Richard Keeling, M.D.

Alex Vasquez, Ph.D., Senior Consultant, K&A

Gina Casalegno, M.S., Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students, Carnegie Mellon University

Steve Klass, M.S., Vice President for Campus Life, Williams College

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