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Learn about Tourette Syndrome

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SOMERVILLE -- Helping families of special needs children understand their legal rights is the topic of New Jersey Center for Tourette Syndrome's latest "Wednesday Webinar" to be held online 7:30-8:30 p.m. Feb. 25.

Lawyer Rebecca Spar will discuss "Special Education and the Law," during a free webinar which is open to all families, educators and health professionals. This webinar will focus on how school-age children with Tourette Syndrome (and associated conditions like obsessive-compulsive and attention deficit disorders, learning disabilities, anxiety, depression and rage) may be eligible for services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. Spar also will discuss modifications that can be made to your child's education program.

All participants must have simultaneous access to the internet and a phone. The audio portion will be available by dialing a toll-free number while the visuals will be presented online. There will be an opportunity to ask questions of the presenter. To register, or to learn more about Tourette Syndrome, visit www.njcts.org.

New Jersey Center for Tourette Syndrome and Associated Disorders is a collaboration among the Tourette Syndrome Association of New Jersey, Rutgers University and health professionals throughout New Jersey. Tourette Syndrome is a neurological disorder which typically manifests through involuntary movements or vocalizations known as tics. TS affects as many as 1 in every 200 children- 28,000 in New Jersey alone. Tourette Syndrome is often accompanied by other conditions like obsessive-compulsive and attention deficit disorders.

Register at njcts.org/witsd-seminar-sign-up.php.