

Healthcare Legal Partnerships: Advancing Health Equity



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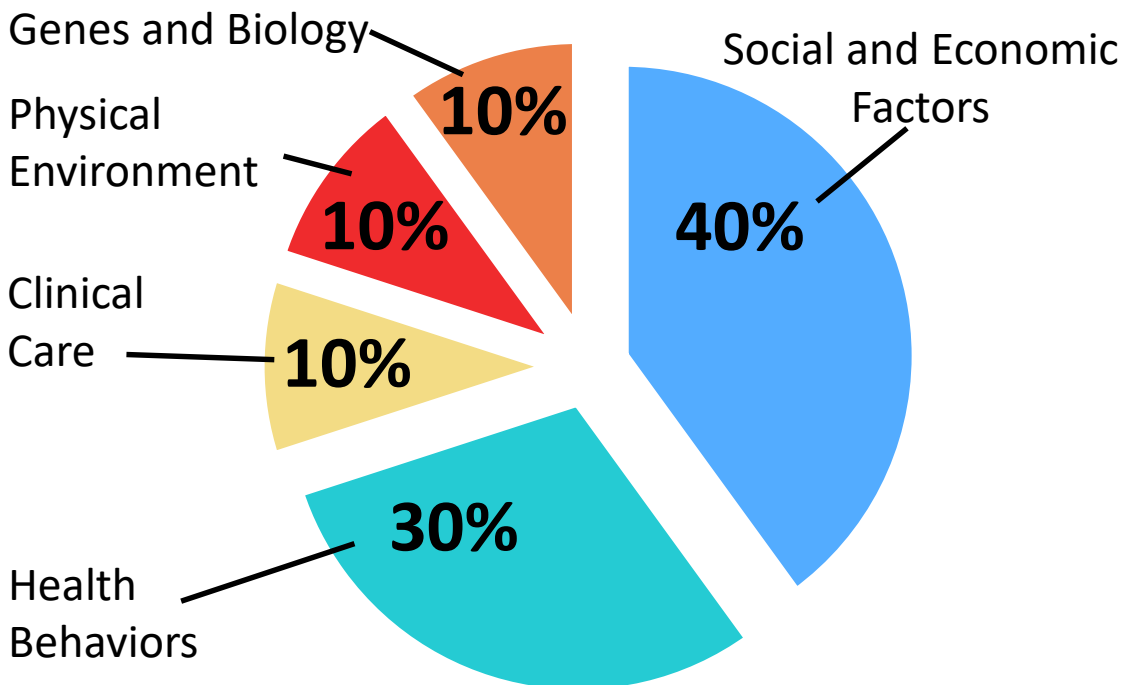
HLP Definition

Integrated and/or embedded lawyers and paralegals alongside health care teams to detect, address and prevent health harming social conditions for people and communities; different from usual referral.



Expand the Understanding of What Creates Health

Determinants of Health



Necessary conditions for health (WHO)

- Peace
- Shelter
- Education
- Food
- Income
- Stable eco-system
- Sustainable resources
- Mobility
- IT connectivity
- Health Care
- Social justice and equity

Determinants of Health Model based on frameworks developed by: Tarlov AR. *Ann N Y Acad Sci* 1999; 896: 281-93; and Kindig D, Asada Y, Booske B. *JAMA* 2008; 299(17): 2081-2083.

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Medicine is often not enough

Housing is the best pill.

Jeffrey Brenner, MD, Founder

National Center for Complex Health and Social Needs

We understand that health is created by much more than just good medical care.

Cover letter signed by 24 MN state commissioners.

Advancing Health Equity, Feb. 1, 2014

Every low income person has on average 2 – 3 health-harming legal needs = 50 million people in U.S.

Physician Support

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Resolution: American Medical Association Board of Trustees report recommends MLP

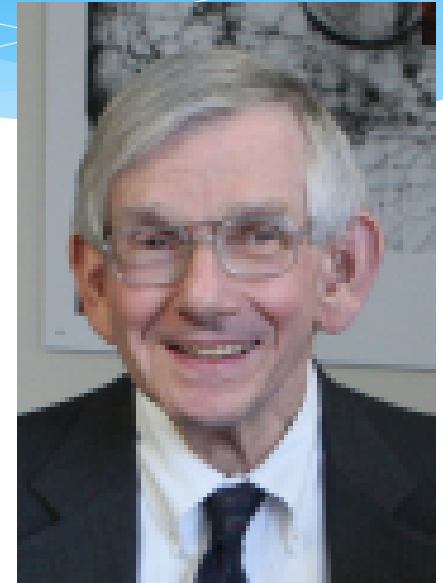
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By American Medical Association Board of Trustees

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Amos Deinard, Jr., MD

- * Retired pediatrician extraordinaire
- * Professor of Pediatrics, U of Minnesota
- * Pediatric Consultant, Minneapolis Children and Youth Project
- * Former Director, Community University Health Care Center
- * Groundbreaker in:
 - * Lead poisoning
 - * Care of refugees
 - * Oral health
 - * **Healthcare Legal Partnership**



Deinard Legal Clinic

The legal clinic is embedded at CUHCC, and addresses socio-economic determinants of health that affect our patients' outcomes and quality of life.

Services include:

- * Family law
- * Housing
- * Immigration
- * Application for government benefits such as disability



HLP Impact

91% fewer adult asthma ED visits

\$2 million in Social Security benefits

Improved cancer treatment adherence

Better advocates for selves, able to discuss with MDs

Better maternal-child outcomes

Reduced child abuse

Fewer missed appointments

Beeson, T., McAllister, B.D., & Regenstein, M. (2013).
Zuckerman, B. (2014).

Provider Benefit

Examples

\$1 million recovered in previously denied claims for cancer treatment

319% ROI > 3 years for healthcare provider of an Illinois HLP

\$4 million to pay healthcare debts

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HLP Growth in U.S.: 47 States

Hospitals & Health Systems	HRSA Health Centers	Children's Hospitals	Legal Aid Agencies & Law Schools	VA Medical Centers	Other Health Care Sites
131	115	37	178	21	69

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"Of all the forms of inequality, injustice in health care is the most shocking and inhumane." - Martin Luther King, Jr.

