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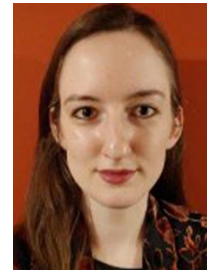
MLPB is pleased to announce that Rachel Irvine has joined our [Advisory Board](#)! Rachel is the Senior Research Administrator at a local health care system. She holds an MBA and an MPH, both from the University of Michigan. She volunteered in the Peace Corps in Kenya, and is passionate about public health. We are thrilled she has decided to give MLPB her time and expertise. Welcome Rachel!

AROUND TOWN



MLPB partnered with Suffolk Law School to present a training on Guardianship

In partnership with the Health Law Clinic at Suffolk Law School, MLPB offered a bonus Unlocking Access training on Guardianship in April. Law students Gabrielle Andreottola and Eliza Ransom guided healthcare teams through the guardianship process. MLPB Law & Policy Consultant Kate Gannon, who also directs the clinic, said “I’m proud how the students highlighted ways in which teams can preserve patient autonomy by exploring alternatives to guardianship and providing the court with strengths-based documentation.”



Pictured from left to right: *Kate Gannon, Gabrielle Andreottola, Eliza Ransom*

MLPB presented its third Advocacy Bootcamp to BMC Pediatrics Residents

MLPB Law & Policy Consultants Sarah Yan and Stephanie Duggan-Lykes completed our final 2024 Advocacy Bootcamp on April 5 for pediatric residents from Boston Medical Center. We are thrilled to help future doctors incorporate SDOH principles into their practices.



BRIDGING DIVIDES



MLPB has been so lucky to have Cailyn Lu, a soon to be graduate of Boston University, intern with us since last September. After graduation, Cailyn will be moving to Zambia to begin her 2 year stint with the Peace Corps, where she will focus on public health projects. In this month's blog, Cailyn shares some of her reflections on interning at MLPB.

[Read our Blog Post](#)

[ICYMI: Read MLPB's 2023 Annual Report!](#)

We are honored to share MLPB's first ever Annual Report. Some of our most notable accomplishments in 2023 included:

- Partnering with more than 20 healthcare and social service organizations across Massachusetts and Rhode Island.
- Problem-solving on more than 1,000 questions from care teams.
- Providing dozens of trainings on health-related social needs detection, triage, and response.
- Leveraging our experiences with partners to bring lessons learned to larger policy arenas.



[Read the Report](#)

Care planning, delivery and financing should systemically account for people's legal rights, risks, and remedies. MLPB equips communities of care with legal education and problem-solving insight that fosters preventions, health equity, and human-centered system change. Through training, consultation and technical assistance, we help teams and organizations better connect people to the resources and legal protections they seek.

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