



A Division of the New York Legal Assistance Group

LegalHealth

Professional Partnership to Promote Well Being[®]

Since 2001, LegalHealth has partnered with medical professionals to address the nonmedical needs of low-income people with serious health problems. LegalHealth complements health care with legal care — providing free legal services in medical facilities and training healthcare professionals to understand the legal issues their patients face. LegalHealth extends its mission nationally by providing technical assistance to bring medical and legal partners together.

MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL

Clinic Location

Internal Medicine Associates

7h Floor, Area A
17 East 102nd Street
Manhattan

REAP

1403-05 Madison Ave
(between 97th & 98th Street)
Manhattan

Clinic Schedule

Tuesday & Thursday
9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 12:30p.m.—5:00p.m.
Friday: 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Appointments

212-241-6800

212-423-2800

LegalHealth at Mount Sinai Hospital

Every week attorneys bring the law office into the hospital, providing advice and representation to help patients:

- Secure government benefits
- Fix housing problems
- Address credit issues
- Handle immigration issues
- Plan ahead (e.g. wills, health care proxy, power of attorney and guardianship)
- Access special education services
- Solve insurance disputes
- Negotiate workplace accommodations

Patient Stories

Jacob

Dyslexia kept Jacob from reading. At age 7 he began special education and repeated the second grade, but by 10 he still could not read. He grew frustrated and began to misbehave in the classroom. LegalHealth helped Jacob's mother get an independent evaluation from a private tutoring agency and court-ordered Department of Education payment for tutoring. After four weeks Jacob was ready to attend regular classes, with special education support. He was recently named Student of the Month for his success and classroom participation.

Anna

Seventy-year-old Anna had lived in a Section 8 apartment full of toxic mold for 24 years when she was diagnosed with chronic obstructive lung disease. Having to climb four flights of stairs to the apartment did not make breathing easier. Anna sought LegalHealth's assistance to get a new apartment. LegalHealth requested an emergency transfer from Section 8, contacted the landlord and obtained a letter from Anna's physician explaining the medical need for the move. These efforts persuaded building management to offer Anna a ground floor apartment, and Section 8 approved the emergency transfer.

Contact LegalHealth

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