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## COMPLEX CARE FOR ADULTS: HOW LEGAL PARTNERING CAN HELP!

- ***Struggling with how best to support people with complex health and social needs?***  
It's critical to understand people's legal risks, rights, and remedies.

Check out this new [fact sheet](#) co-authored by MLPB, the [National Center for Complex Health and Social Needs](#), the [National Center for Medical-Legal Partnership](#), and [PennMedicine Lancaster General Health](#). We are honored to be partnered with [Boston Medical Center](#) on the [Massachusetts Health Policy Commission](#)-sponsored initiative featured at page 5 - part of the HPC's [Health Care Innovation Investment Program \(HCII\)](#).

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## INTERESTED IN NEW APPROACHES TO FURTHERING CHILD & FAMILY HEALTH IN EARLY CHILDHOOD?

- Thanks to [Families USA](#) for hosting us at [Health Action 2019](#) alongside [HealthySteps](#) and [Healthy Families Massachusetts](#) to explore [ACEs as a Social Determinant of Health: Innovations and Interventions](#) . . .
- . . . and appreciation to [The Ounce of Prevention Fund](#) for welcoming us at the [Eighth Annual National Summit on Quality in Home Visiting Programs](#) to explore [Home Visiting and Immigrant Families in a Dynamic Policy Landscape](#) with colleagues from [CLASP](#), [Healthy Families Massachusetts](#), the [Irving Harris Foundation](#).

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## ON OUR MIND

- **Three cheers for "acronym soup" that really matters!** Do you understand the difference between social determinants of health (SDOH) and "health-related social needs" (HRSN)? Learn from this [recent blog in Health Affairs by Brian Castrucci and John Auerbach](#). You can check out MLPB's thinking on HRSN and prevention [here](#) and on the foundational importance of public policy -- with many terrific co-authors led by [Geoff Wilkinson](#) -- [here](#).
- Do you value a curation of recent scholarship and press relating to SDOH and how people's legal risks, rights and remedies intersect with health and well-being? We

do. Check out what was [On Our Mind](#) in 2018.

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