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You're Invited!
And Announcing New Speakers . . .

MLPB's Annual Breakfast
June 19, 8:30-10:30am

<p>UNLOCKING ACCESS</p> <p>HOW UNIQUE WORKFORCE RESPONSIBILITIES IMPACT SOCIAL HEALTH AND SYSTEM COSTS</p>		 <p>MLPB ADVANCING HEALTH THROUGH JUSTICE</p> <p>Wed, June 19, 2019 8:30-10:30am Boston Convention & Exhibition Center</p>
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Featuring:



[Dayce Moore](#)



[Tara Murphy](#)
Deputy Director,
[MassHealth DSRIP Statewide Investments](#)

Systematic screening for health-related social needs is becoming more deeply rooted in health and human service systems across the country. This holds great promise for health equity advancement since so many health-related social needs have remedies under current law and public policy. Moreover, screening data will reveal population-level needs that can [steer communities to systems and policy change strategies that impact structural social dimensions of health \(SDOH\)](#).

But *screening and referral* is the tip of the iceberg -- **health workforces have long held many responsibilities that directly impact a person's social, economic and environmental health**. So let's make sure team members can carry out those functions successfully! **Join us for a conversation about *Unlocking Access* with national, cross-sector thought leaders who will spotlight key strategies for:**

- Making care delivery environments welcoming and inclusive for all;
- Improving engagement with people's requests for medical certifications that *unlock access* to critical social health supports;
- Navigating the tensions inherent in [strengths-based communication](#) (and [trust-building](#)) with individuals and families, and mandated reporting obligations;
- Rebalancing clinic-based care and community-based care through [community health workforce integration and leadership](#).

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***How Can Acute Care be Aligned with Whole
Person Care? A dialogue at the Society for
Academic Emergency Medicine Annual Meeting***



MLPB was thrilled to join colleagues [John Schumacher, PhD](#) and [Marquita Norman Hicks, MD, MBA](#) on an [SAEM 19](#) panel entitled *Exploring Opportunities to Improve Outcomes of Older Adults by Targeting Their Social Determinants of Health*, moderated by [Kalpana Shankar, MD, MSc, MSHP](#). Dr. Shankar is co-Principal Investigator on *High Touch, High Trust*, a [Massachusetts Health Policy Commission](#)-sponsored [Health Care Innovation Investment \(HCII\)](#) initiative underway in the [Emergency Department at Boston Medical Center](#). To learn more about how legal partnering can advance the health and well-being of older adults, check out: [Socially vulnerable older adults & medical-legal partnership](#) and [Extreme Case Management with Legal Care: A Best Practice for Serving Elders at Homelessness Risk](#).

Welcome, New MLPB Team Members!

Read their bios online!



[Baraka Floyd](#)

Consultant, *Unlocking Access* Special Initiative



[Amanda Hsiao](#)

Legal Advisor



[Franny Zhang](#)

Content Lead



Do you value a curation of news and scholarship related to HRSN, SDOH, and how people's legal risks, rights, and remedies intersect with health and well-being? We do. Check out a full listing online.

Also: An Opportunity to Participate in Innovative Research on Social Dimensions of Health

MLPB is facilitating a research project led by **Garssandra (Garsy) Presumey-Leblanc**. Garsy is a student in [Boston University's Medical Anthropology & Cross-Cultural Practice Master's program](#), and her qualitative study will look at how the discourse around SDOH might be expanded to include historical context. Garsy's research could lead to a better understanding of how to best serve patient populations and how health and human service providers might perceive this and participate in the expansion. **Garsy is looking to interview black female health and human services workforce members who have participated in any MLPB SDOH-related training.** If you would like more information or are interested in participating, please contact Garsy at gleblanc@bu.edu or **650-880-2122**.



About Garsy

Garsy joined MLPB for the 2018-19 academic year as part of a volunteer service-learning internship.

"I grew up in Greenwich, CT and obtained my bachelor's degree in Medicine, Health, and Society and Religious Studies at Vanderbilt University. I now live in Dorchester, MA and am pursuing a Master's Degree at Boston University in Medical Anthropology and Cross-Cultural Practice. Interning at MLPB is very connected to my future research and career goals. MLPB's work is everything I've wanted to do with my life!"

MLPB equips health and human service workforces with upstream problem-solving strategies that meet people's health-related social needs and improve social determinants of health.

Leveraging our public interest law expertise, we advance health equity for individuals, families and communities.

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