

HEALTH JUSTICE PARTNERSHIPS

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HJP in practice: Loddon–Campaspe CLC lawyers working with the Family Support team at Bendigo Community Health Service (Bendigo, Vic)

WHAT IS A HEALTH JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP?

- Integrated service model providing access to legal services in health settings.
- Targets people who don't know they have legal needs; and if they do, don't access legal services to meet them ... But they will reveal that legal need to a trusted health professional eg GP, nurse, social worker.
- Social determinants of health is the critical underpinning of this approach:
 - unmet legal needs can exacerbate or contribute to poor health; and
 - health outcomes can be undermined by legal need.
- Health, justice and partnership are our outcomes.



HJP in practice: Redfern Legal Centre lawyer works closely with the Social Work Department, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital (Sydney, NSW)

NATIONAL CENTRE FOR HEALTH JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP

- Systemic advocacy
- Supporting best practice
- Shared resources

Richard Roxburgh speaking up for the #LegalAidMatters campaign


Sue E. Armstrong

Access to justice, for all 2011

Acrylic on canvas, painted to commemorate Victoria Legal Aid's 30th anniversary.

The painting depicts our role in helping diverse and vulnerable members of our community, leading to the central figure of 'Blind Justice'.

Upholding **your**
right to justice
for **30** years

 Victoria Legal Aid

