



GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

HEALTH JUSTICE ALLIANCE

Perinatal LAW

THE PERINATAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE & WELL-BEING (P-LAW) PROJECT PROMOTES THE HEALTH OF PREGNANT AND POSTPARTUM PATIENTS THROUGH LEGAL ADVOCACY AND INTERPROFESSIONAL COLLABORATION AT MEDSTAR WOMEN'S AND INFANTS' SERVICES

APRIL-JUNE 2021 LEGAL SERVICES METRICS

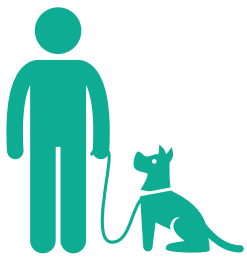
12 Patients referred by the social work team, who then received a legal check-up with the P-LAW attorney

10 Legal issues resolved

2 Ongoing legal issues

Most Common Patient Legal Issues:

- #1 Housing
- #2 Family Law
- #3 Employment
- #4 Public Benefits
- #5 Social Security



Educated a patient on her rights as a tenant and advised her that she cannot be evicted or made to pay a fee for an emotional support animal

INTERPROFESSIONAL COLLABORATION AND EDUCATION

In Spring 2021, the Perinatal LAW attorney:



Created brief legal training videos for healthcare providers in collaboration with the Health Justice Alliance's Cancer LAW Project



Shadowed providers and staff in Women's and Infants' Services (WIS) to understand patient population and workflow



Consulted with WIS providers and staff on patient legal issues



Participated in Workflow and Implicit Bias trainings with the WIS providers and staff

CAPACITY-BUILDING AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

In Spring 2021, the Perinatal LAW attorney:



Formed partnerships with local community organizations, including First Shift and Safe Sisters Circle



Attended over 11 legal trainings on housing, paid family leave, trauma-informed advocacy, and racial and social equity in the justice system



Facilitated the White House Eviction Prevention Summit

