

Health Justice Partnership

LawRight-Mater Hospital-The University of Queensland

The Health Advocacy Legal Clinic is embedded two days a week in the Mater Young Adults Health Centre, responding to the legal needs of patients in collaboration with their treating team to support better health outcomes. Law, social work and medical students help provide an effective multidisciplinary legal response.



Nina, a young mother with a terminal illness wanted her young children to remain in their step-father's care, as their biological father was extremely violent. LawRight found Nina a family lawyer, helped her apply for Legal Aid, file court documents and make a will. Nina passed away during this process. However, LawRight helped complete her wishes. The court ordered the children to remain with their step-father.

Smart diagnosis

The Legal Health Check diagnoses relevant but unrecognised legal needs. These 34 clients had 4-12 legal issues each.