

MSBA Health Law Section

Annual Report

2010-11

Section Membership

As of May 26, 2011, the Health Law Section has 523 members. This is a 4% increase in membership since the beginning of the fiscal year as the Section had 504 members on July 1, 2010.

Financial Status

The Health Law Section had an account balance of \$13,911.44, including investment income, as of April 30, 2011.

Continuing Legal Education Programs and Social Events

The Section hosted nine monthly breakfast CLE programs in fiscal year 2010-11.

Program Title	Program Date	Event Code	CLE Credit	Number of Attendees
Health Law Section Annual Meeting and Legislative Wrap-up	6/17/11	156493	1.0 Standard	72 (# registered)
The Consumer Operated and Oriented Plans (CO-OP) Section of the Affordable Care Act and What it Could Mean for Minnesota	4/15/11	154561	1.5 Standard	43
Employment Law Issues for Health Care Organizations	3/18/11	153651	1.0 Standard	40
Accountable Care Organizations	2/18/11	152779	1.0 Standard	75
Annual Legislative Preview	1/21/11	151682	1.0 Standard	77
Children's Legal and Ethical Issues: Immunizations and Newborn Testing	12/17/10	151240	1.0 Ethics	38
Clinical Trials 201	11/19/10	149892	1.5 Standard	47
The New (or hoped for) Stark Self-Referral Disclosure Program	10/15/10	148856	1.0 Standard	57
Health Care Reform Update: Upcoming Health Plan Changes	09/17/10	148075	1.0 Standard	74

In addition to the Section's monthly CLE programs, the Health Law Section partnered with the Elder Law Section to provide a program, entitled "Legal Issues at the End of Life." The program was offered in the First, Third, Sixth and Tenth Judicial Districts as part of the MSBA's 9 Days in June Unconventional Convention.

The Section also co-sponsored a law student reception with the MSBA Food, Drug & Device Law Section. The event was held in March 2011 at Nilan, Lewis, Johnson Law Firm and was very well attended.

Annual Meeting and Election Results

The Health Law Section Annual Meeting and Elections were held on Friday, June 17, 2011, at noon at Town & Country Club in St. Paul, MN. In addition to the Section's business meeting, the luncheon featured the Section's 2011 Legislative Wrap-up CLE.

The following individuals were elected to serve as officers and/or council members for the Health Law Section Governing Council:

2011-12 Section Officers:

- Chair: Cindy Jesson
- Vice Chair: Steve Warch
- Secretary: Nancy Berry
- Treasurer: Peter Hofrenning
- Program Chair: John Hutchins (2-year term)

2011-14 Governing Council Members:

- David Graham, Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly
- Sara Ratner, Prime Therapeutics
- John Liethen, UHG (Optum Health)
- Andy Mitchell, Hennepin County Attorney
- David Aafedt, Winthrop & Weinstine
- John Soshnik, Lindquist & Vennum
- Sheva Sanders, Leonard Street & Dienert
- Ross DeManuelle, Dorsey & Whitney
- Tom Hughes, Hughes & Associates, Ltd
- Jessica Kracl, Children's Hospitals and Clinics of MN

Other Section Accomplishments

In 2010-11, the Health Law Section Council launched its social media presence. The Section now has active Facebook and LinkedIn pages as well as a Twitter feed. All Section members are encouraged to like and follow the Section!

The Governing Council is investigating the potential of starting a pro bono clinic for families facing terminal illnesses. The idea for this program came from an ABA initiative for families of breast cancer patients. Stay tuned for more details in 2011-12.

Submitted By:
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