

HEALTH CARE LAW SECTION ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2024-2025

Mission Statement:

To serve the health care community and advocate on behalf of its interests concerning state and federal legislation and public policy which affect the practice of health care law and related issues.

To provide education to the health care community regarding legal practices and health care law issues.

To advocate and serve as an educational resource for members of the State Bar for the purpose of fostering professional development and the advancement of health care law standards.

To recognize diversity and serve the specialized needs of the health care community.

To establish and maintain viable working relationships with the health care community.

To promote awareness and involvement of State Bar members, health care professionals and the general public regarding the purpose and work of the Section.

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Aaron Beresh – 2 nd term		2025	Elizabeth Callahan-Morris – 1 st term	2026
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Jovan Dragovic – 1 st term		2025	Jenna Simon – 2 nd term	2026
Eric Klein – 2 nd Term		2025	Aaron Sohaski – 1 st term	2026

Lisa Lucido – 1 st term	2025	Michael Bossenbrock – 1 st term	2026
Matthew Turchyn – 1 st term	2025	Liza Brooks – 1 st term	2027
Deborah Williamson – 2 nd term + 1 yr	2025	Matthew Keuten – 2 nd term*	2027
Becky Glitman – 2 nd term + 1 yr	2026	Ashley Weiner – 2 nd term	2027
Jeremy Belanger – 1 st term	2026		

*Completed 2 terms previously

Council Meeting Schedule: Council meetings are held monthly on the first Thursday of each month via a GoTo Meeting call. They were held on the following dates: October 3, 2024, November 7, 2024, December 5, 2024, January 9, 2025, February 6, 2025, March 6, 2025, April 3, 2025, May 1, 2025, June 5, 2025, August 7, 2025, and September 4, 2025.

General Budget Information: The Section received approximately \$30,000 in member dues during Fiscal Year 2025. The funds were used for the following purposes: (1) educational opportunities via webinars and the Annual Meeting; (2) scholarships for law students interested in a health law career; (3) membership outreach and networking activities; and (4) administrative services. Consistent with prior years, the financial position of the Section remains strong.

Events and/or Seminars:

Event or Seminar Title	Date	Location
Membership Networking - Topgolf	October 23, 2024	Auburn Hills, MI
Non-Competition Agreements in the Healthcare Sector	December 10, 2024	Webinar
Web Trackers: What's Lurking Beneath the Surface	February 25, 2025	Webinar
ICLE Health Law Institute	March 13, 2025	Saint John's Resort
HCLS Pro Bono Project – Bottomless Toy Chest	March 13, 2025	Saint John's Resort
HCLS Appreciation Dinner	March 13, 2025	Saint John's Resort
Membership Networking - Bowlero	April 23, 2025	Royal Oak, MI
Legislative Update	May 6, 2025	Webinar
Michigan Medicaid Fraud Enforcement Overview	May 28, 2025	Webinar
HCLS Annual Meeting – Risks Surrounding DEI Programs Due to Increased Executive Branch Scrutiny	September 18, 2025	Andiamo Bloomfield

Section Committees: There are seven standing committees of the Section: Substantive Law, Publications, Legislative, Pro Bono, Fellows, New Lawyers and Law Students, and Membership. The work of each of those committees is summarized below.

Substantive Law Committee: The Substantive Law Committee is responsible for arranging educational programs throughout the year, typically presented in a webinar format, to benefit the Section's membership at no additional cost. Its work is accomplished through four subject matter subcommittees: the Technology, Payors, Providers and Medical-Legal subcommittees. The subcommittees produced three webinars on a wide variety of health care law topics. The topics and titles of the webinars are listed above under the heading "Events and/or Seminars."

Publications Committee:

This year, the Committee published the following paper:

- Round III Status of Health Insurance Exchanges in Michigan Priority Health HMO Plan Continues to serve as the State's EHB-Benchmark Plan
- Information Blocking
- The Ins and Outs of Responding to Subpoenas and Warrants for Protected Health Information in Michigan

The committee completed work on updating outdated papers on the Section website.

Finally, the committee is working to update its HIPAA Privacy Rule Preemption Analysis Matrix publication, which was last updated in 2018. 17 Section members have been working on this project, which involved reviewing of over 300 citations. Cite checking work continues and the entire project will likely be completed in the 2025-26 year.

Pro Bono Committee: The committee planned a Toy Drive and partnered with The Bottomless Toy Chest, an organization that delivers toys to children with cancer and serious blood disorder to hospitals in Michigan and other states. New toys were collected during the ICLE HLI conference in March and the annual meeting in September and donated to the cause.

Fellows Committee: The Section established a Fellows Program in 2011 to honor former Health Care Law Section leaders who have made sustained, outstanding contributions to the Section and the practice of health care law in Michigan. Fellows are recognized each year at the Section's Annual Meeting. The Fellows Committee administers the Fellows Program, which includes nominating Fellows for election by the Council, and handling all matters regarding the presentation of Fellows at the Annual Meeting. The Fellows Committee meets periodically to discuss nominations and other matters concerning the program. In 2025, the Fellows Committee nominated, and the Council elected, the following attorney: Sheerin Siddique (Siddique Law, PLLC).

New Lawyers and Law Student Committee: The New Lawyers and Law Student Committee participated in "Lunch and Learn" events in which Section members answered questions from students at the following law schools: Western Michigan Cooley Law School. The New Lawyers and Law Student Committee also administered the Section's Academic Achievement program under which the Section awards two (2) \$1,500 scholarships to law students at eligible Michigan

law schools that exhibit a high level of achievement in health care-related law courses. Ten (10) students received awards in 2025 and will be honored at the annual meeting.

Membership Committee: The Membership Committee planned two networking outreach events as follows: Topgolf in Auburn Hills on October 23, 2024, and bowling at Bowlero in Royal Oak on April 23, 2025.

Recommendations for next Council:

- Continue to provide the high-quality and reliable education and networking opportunities that the Section's membership has come to expect.
- Increase efforts to promote diversity and inclusion in the Section's membership and Council committees, including exploring methods to retain the institutional knowledge of experienced Section members for the advancement of all Section current and future members.
- Increase efforts to build civility and professionalism in the Section's membership.
- Strengthen the Section's efforts in offering one or more legislative focused events where Members may connect with state representatives on key healthcare legislative issues.
- Strengthen the Section's affiliations with law students, new lawyers and Michigan law schools and recommit to engaging in visible and sustained outreach activities to provide exposure and education to health care law.
- Continue the Section's strong relationship with ICLE, including continued co-sponsorship of the Annual Health Law Institute and Section Appreciation Dinner.
- Increase participation in the Section and Section events by finding unique ways to engage Section members; and continue to explore ways to engage the Section members during a time of competing priorities and the unique challenges of remote/hybrid working environments.

Closing Remarks:

It has been a pleasure to serve as Chair of the Section this year. The Section is one of the more active sections of the State Bar of Michigan. Its size, programs, and success are due to the countless hours of hard work by section members. I would like to thank my fellow Council members, officers, Substantive Law Committee and subcommittee members, all committee members and chairs, and finally, the many volunteers who have contributed so much of their time and talent to the Section. I know our Section will be in good hands this coming year as we welcome Eric Klein as our new Chair.