

Stinson and the University of Minnesota CUHCC's Deinard Legal Clinic Turns 30

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For 30 years, beginning in 1993, Stinson has provided free legal services for CUHCC patients, many of whom face multiple barriers to optimum health and well-being, through the Deinard Legal Clinic

Stinson LLP and the University of Minnesota Community-University Health Care Center (CUHCC) are celebrating 30 years of the Deinard Legal Clinic, the nation's oldest firm-led medical-legal partnership.

Since 1993, Stinson has provided a wide array of legal services to CUHCC patients through the Deinard Legal Clinic. Many CUHCC patients represented by the firm face barriers to accessing legal assistance, thus affecting their physical and mental health and diminishing their long-term health outcomes. Services provided span numerous areas of the law, including immigration law, family law, landlord/tenant law, social security appeals and guardianships, among many others.

"Stinson's 30 years of service to CUHCC has had a direct impact on the lives of our patients as it allows us to further our dedication of promoting good health, healthy living and improving the well-being for our patients, their families and communities. The partnership is a unique way of transforming care and helps to move our patient community forward by recognizing the various social determinants at play in an individual's health and addressing through pro bono legal assistance many issues that cannot be remedied through medication or medical treatment alone," CUHCC CEO Dr. Roli Dwivedi said. "We are so thankful to have this unique and remarkable partnership and to have Stinson's pro bono services available to CUHCC clients and patients."

CUHCC serves a diverse population – 12 different races representing 114 ethnicities – who are particularly vulnerable due to socioeconomic issues, mental illness and mental health concerns, and language barriers.

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To date, Stinson has donated over 136,000 hours of pro bono legal representation to more than 3,200 CUHCC patients.

"The continued success of our Deinard Legal Clinic demonstrates what can be accomplished when pro bono service is embedded in a firm's culture," Stinson Managing Partner Allison Murdock said. "We take seriously our commitment to the communities Stinson calls home. The very best of the Twin Cities is on display in the dedicated leadership of our legal clinic committee and all the Minneapolis attorneys, paralegals and staff who sustain the Deinard Legal Clinic."

Stinson and CUHCC will celebrate the 30th anniversary of their ongoing partnership on September 13th at CUHCC.

Founded in 1966, CUHCC is a Federally Qualified Health Center serving nearly 10,000 patients of all income levels. CUHCC's mission is to transform care and education to advance health equity. A department within the University of Minnesota's Office of Academic Clinic Affairs, CUHCC also trains 170+ future health professionals to serve a culturally-ethnically diverse patient population.

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