

2008 MPLP ROADSHOW

September 22-26, 2008

Lansing, Michigan

DESCRIPTION

The Michigan Poverty Law Program invites you to attend the tenth annual state support Roadshow at the Lansing Community College and Davenport College, in Lansing. This year the Roadshow is 5 days with a day dedicated to each of the following areas: Housing, Public Benefits, Family, Consumer, Elder, Support and Technology. See schedule for details.

LOCATION

Most of the training will be held at the Lansing Community College (517-483-9300). However, the Technology session will be held at Davenport College (800-686-1600). Maps will be available on the MPLP website closer to the training date.

**Lansing Community College
5708 Cornerstone Drive
Lansing, Michigan 48917**

REGISTRATION FEES

Registration is \$35 per day for Housing, Family, Public Benefits, Elder and Consumer days for MSBF funded legal services programs. \$60 per day to all others.

The registration fee covers food and meeting rooms costs; MPLP will provide materials and cover other training costs. **Payment should be included with the registration** (Checks made payable to the *Michigan Poverty Law Program*).

ROOM & BOARD

Discounted guestrooms will be available at the Country Inn Suites, at a group rate for \$75.00 (single or double) per night. Reservations and payments need to be made by each individual. To ensure you receive the special rate, please refer to Michigan Poverty Law Program when making reservations. **Reservations must be made by or before September 2nd to receive this rate.** Please call toll free for hotel reservations at 517-827-7000. Lunch is provided as part of the registration fee; all other meals are on your own.

QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions on training logistics, call Kerri Ferrari at 734-998-6100 x24 or email kdr@umich.edu. Any other questions may be directed to Lorry Brown at 734-998-6100 x32 or email lorryb@umich.edu.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Please return your registration no later than **August 29, 2008**

REGISTRATION FORM
2008 MPLP ROADSHOW
September 22 – 26, 2008
Please return by August 29, 2008

Name: _____ **Email: _____

** Please include this so we
can send you your
confirmation by email.

Program name/office: _____

Mailing address: _____

City/state/zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Lunch is included. Please note any dietary requirements you have:

Vegetarian Other _____

I will attend the following sessions of the MPLP ROADSHOW September 22- 26, 2008

Monday, September 22- Consumer \$35 _____

Tuesday, September 23 – Public Benefits \$35 _____

Tuesday, September 23- Support Staff (CORT members) \$15 _____

Wednesday, September 24 – Elder \$35 _____

Thursday, September 25 – Family \$35 _____

Friday, September 26– Housing \$35 _____

Friday, September 26– Technology (Davenport College) \$35 _____

TOTAL \$ DUE _____

Please make checks payable to Michigan Poverty Law Program and include them with your registration.

**RETURN APPLICATION and checks NO LATER THAN August 29, 2008
TO:**

Kerri Ferrari
Michigan Poverty Law Program
611 Church Street, Suite 4A
Ann Arbor, MI 48104-3000
Fax: (734)-998-9125

Remember: Hotel reservations must be made by September 2, 2008!!!!

The refundable cancellation deadline is September 12th otherwise you will be charged!

*** Registration form, notice and updated agendas can be found on MPLP website at:
<http://www.mplp.org>

CONSUMER
Monday, September 22, 2008
Lansing Community College
Main Session: M119-M122
Breakout: W157

Agenda
Session Coordinator: Lorry S.C. Brown
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- 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. **REGISTRATION**
- 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **BREAKOUT SESSIONS** (choose one)
- ◆ **BASIC TRACK**
 Debt Collection: The Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and the Michigan Collection Practices Act
 Presenter: Ian Lyngklip, Lyngklip & Associates Consumer Law Center, PLC
- ◆ **ADVANCED TRACK**
 Standing to Foreclose in Michigan: How to Challenge MERS Foreclosures
 Presenter: Karen Tjapkes, Legal Aid of Western Michigan
- 10:40 a.m. – 11:50 a.m. **BREAKOUT SESSIONS** (choose one)
- ◆ **BASIC TRACK**
 TIL 101: Analyzing Credit Documents for TIL Violations
 Presenter: Lorry Brown, MPLP
- ◆ **ADVANCED TRACK**
 Defending Collection Suits Against Debt Buyers: Assignments, Standing and Proof Issues
 Presenter: Ian Lyngklip, Lyngklip & Associates Consumer Law Center, PLC
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. **LUNCH - Atrium**
- 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **BREAKOUT SESSIONS** (choose one)
- ◆ **BASIC TRACK**
 Michigan Consumer Protection Act and Other Michigan Consumer Statutes
 Presenter: Frederick L. Miller, UAW-GM Legal Services Plan
- ◆ **ADVANCED TRACK**
 Auto Sales and Financing Fraud: Practices and Legal Claims
 Presenter: Adam Taub, Adam G. Taub & Associates Consumer Law Group
- 2:10 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. ◆ **Utility Issues - Shutoffs, Billing, Arrearages, Complaints, the Michigan Public Service Commission and unregulated utility providers**
 Presenter: Sandra Philpott-Burke, MPSC
- 3:40 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. ◆ **Consumer Legislative Update**
 Presenter: Stephanie Wuttke, Capitol Services, Inc.

PUBLIC BENEFITS
Tuesday, September 23, 2008
Lansing Community College
AGENDA

Main meeting room: Auditorium
Breakout: W157

Session Coordinator: Lisa Ruby
lruby@umich.edu

9:00-9:30 am – **REGISTRATION**

GENERAL SESSIONS

9:30 –10:45am – **DISABILITY DETERMINATION PROCESS – SOCIAL SECURITY**
- *Mimi Wirtanen, Michigan Disability Determination Service*
- *Linda Driscoll, SSA Technical Expert*

10:45-12:15pm – **SPECIAL EDUCATION LAW – WHAT EVERY ADVOCATE SHOULD KNOW**
-*Veena Rao, Michigan Protection and Advocacy*

12:15 – 1:15pm - **LUNCH --ATRIUM**

BREAK-OUT SESSIONS: CHOOSE ONE

1:15-2:15pm – **INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC BENEFITS – THE BASICS AND A LITTLE BIT MORE**
-*Beth Contorer, Counsel and Advocacy Law Line (CALL)*

OR

REENTRY AND PUBLIC BENEFITS: FLEEING FELONS, ID ISSUES, AND OTHER RECORD-RELATED PROBLEMS
-*Miriam Aukerman, Western Michigan Legal Services*

2:15-2:30pm - **BREAK**

GENERAL SESSIONS

2:30-3:00pm **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**
-*StephanieJohnson-Wuttke,Capitol Services*

3:00 – 4:00pm - **STATE MEDICAL PROGRAMS – PLAN FIRST, HEALTHY KIDS, MOMS, MICHILD AND THE ADULT MEDICAL PROGRAM**
-*Krista Nordberg, Washtenaw County Health Plan*

CORT Support Staff Day

Tuesday, September 23, 2008

Lansing Community College

S-152

Session Coordinator:

Kerri Ferrari

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| 9:00- 9:30 | Registration |
| 9:30- 12:00 | <p>ChangeWorks—is task focused. It's a conversation you have with yourself about yourself, measuring how you feel about a SPECIFIC task at a SPECIFIC time.</p> <p>It gives a new perspective on change and personal tension, and participants learn how to put those to use to be most effective.</p> <p><i>Workplace Results; Pam Wyess</i></p> |
| 12:00- 1:00 | Lunch |
| 1:00- 2:00 | Substantive Law Overview; <i>MPLP</i> |
| 2:00 – 3:00 | Internet Tips and Tricks; <i>Counsel Advocacy Law Line</i> |
| 3:00- 4:15 | Balancing Nutrition with a Busy Work Schedule;
<i>Nutrition Specialist Jennifer Averill</i> |

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2008
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Main Session: M119-M122
Breakout: W157

AGENDA

- 9:30 – 10:45** **Primer on Veterans Benefits for Seniors, *Kelly Quardokus, and Amy Tripp, Chalgian & Tripp***
- 10:45-11:00** **Break**
- 11:00-12:15** **Medicaid Update, David Shaltz, private practice**
- 12:15-1:15** **Lunch—participants may choose to participate in the lunch round-table on Legal Issues for Aging Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered Clients (*discussion leaders: Jay Kaplan, ACLU, and Brad Vauter, Legal Hotline for Michigan Seniors*) or enjoy informal conversations at the other luncheon tables.**
- 1:15-2:30** **Concurrent sessions:**
- a. Child Support Enforcement Issues for Seniors, *Barbara Kelly, Washtenaw County Friend of the Court***
 - b. Legal Issues for Grandparents Coping with Grandchildren, panel participants to be announced. *Terri Stangl, Center for Civil Justice and Dr. Andrea Smith and Dr. Linda Dannison, Department of Family and Consumer Sciences at Western Michigan University***
- 2:30-2:45** **Break**
- 2:45-4:15** **Medicare Overview and focus on the intersection of Medicare and Medicaid, *Jo Murphy, Executive Director, Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Project***

FAMILY
Thursday, September 25, 2008
Lansing, MI
M119-M122
Breakout: W157

AGENDA

Session Coordinator: Rebecca Shiemke
rshiemke@umich.edu

- 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. **Registration**
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. **Child Protection Law and Custody**
Vivek Sankaran
Child Advocacy Law Clinic; University of Michigan Law School
- 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. **Special Education Issues in Family Law**
Debra Chopp
Pediatric Advocacy Initiative; University of Michigan Law School
- 11:15 – 12:00 p.m. **Family Law Update**
Hon. Marilyn Kelly
Justice, Michigan Supreme Court; Detroit
- 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. **Lunch -- Atrium**

Concurrent Sessions

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| 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
Basic Divorce and Custody Practice
<i>Sarah Prout</i>
<i>Lakeshore Legal Aid; Port Huron</i> | 1:00 – 1:45 p.m.
Prevention of International Abductions
<i>Regina Badger; Legal Aid of Western MI</i>
<i>Rebecca Shiemke; MPLP</i> |
| | 1:45 – 2:30 p.m.
Property Division and Enforcement
<i>Diana Raimi</i>
<i>Moran Raimi & Goethel PC; Ann Arbor</i> |
| 2:30 – 2:45 p.m. Break | |
| 2:45 – 3:15 p.m. Legislative Update
<i>Stephanie Johnson-Wuttkke; Capitol Services</i> | |
| 3:15 – 4:00 p.m. 2008 Child Support Formula
<i>Kent Weichmann</i>
<i>Mediation and Arbitration Services; Ann Arbor</i> | |

HOUSING
Friday, September 26, 2008
Lansing Community College, Lansing
M119-M122

AGENDA

Session Coordinator: Jim Schaafsma
jschaafs@umich.edu

9:30-10:55 am

Responding to common issues (ownership and tenancy related)
encountered in representing residents of mobile home parks

-Break-

11:05-Noon

Challenges facing Public Housing Commissions
and ways they are responding to them

Jim Inglis, Executive Director, Livonia Housing Commission, and former President, National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO)

Noon-1pm -- Atrium

-LUNCH-

1-2:30

Steps to take to be a more effective fair housing advocate

Steven Dane, Relman & Dane

-Break-

2:40-3:55

The Low Income Housing Year in Review

Jim Schaafsma, MPLP

Technology

Friday, September 26, 2008
Davenport University, Lansing

Session Coordinator: Scott Ellis
scoellis@umich.edu

Agenda

Google Apps (Part I) (10:00am - 11:00am)

Many legal aid programs in Michigan are now using Google Apps to share calendars, collaborate on documents in real time and follow law blogs. In this hands-on session we'll cover the basic features of Google Apps, including Calendar, Gmail, Docs and the Start Page.

Google Apps (Part II) (11:00am – noon)

In this hands-on session we'll introduce you to more Google Apps, including Calendar Sync, RSS Reader and Sites.

Lunch (Noon - 1:00pm)

Using the Free LexisNexis HotDocs Server (1:00pm - 2:00pm)

In this hands-on session we'll demonstrate how to create a HotDoc form and host it on the free National Legal Services server for use by Michigan advocates and clients.

Using the Statewide Brief Bank (2:00 pm – 3:00 pm)

We'll explore the newly created Advocate Brief Bank on MPLP.org. We will take a look at the updated and expanded HotDocs.

Freeware Apps (3:00pm - 3:30pm)

We will share some of the latest and greatest free apps and add-ons that will change your life (or at least make some parts of it a little more tolerable).

Pika Update (3:30pm – 4:00pm)

What is going on in the world of Pika Case Management System both in Michigan and Nationally