

NEED LEGAL HELP BECAUSE OF YOUR DISABILITY DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC?



Minnesota Disability Law Center

BACKGROUND

What is the Minnesota Disability Law Center?

Minnesota Disability Law Center (MDLC) is the federally-designated network of lawyers and advocates providing free legal help to people with disabilities in civil cases. We help with any type of disability, of any age, and at all income levels. MDLC is a statewide project of Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid.

How can MDLC help you?

We may be able to help by giving you:

- Information to help you understand your rights
- Advice on how to advocate for yourself
- Help with your disability-related case to investigate the facts, negotiate with the other side, or represent you in court or administrative hearings.

Contact MDLC to see if we can help. **All client conversations with MDLC are confidential.** MDLC can provide only advice if that is what you choose. If you would like more than advice, MDLC advocates and lawyers work with clients to develop a plan in their case and get a client's permission before contacting the other side.

HOW MDLC CAN HELP

What types of cases are MDLC handling during the COVID-19 pandemic?

Employment and Day Supports

We handle a lot of different types of cases, including situations like:

- I've been told that I can't go back to my day program or to work because I live in a group home. I need help changing the rules that stop me from going to the day program or to work.
- My group home or other residential provider will not let me leave my home to work or go to my day program.
- I want to go back to my day program, but I can't because my program is saying that they can't serve everyone right now.
- I think I could be getting necessary services remotely (by phone, video or email), but I'm not. I need help making sure I can get these services.
- I have been told by my case worker or vocational rehabilitation counselor that I can't go back to work or my day program. I want to go back.
- My community employer is not giving me the accommodations I need to work during COVID-19.

Other Services and Rights Issues

We can also provide advice and assistance on many other issues, including problems with residential services and accessing the community. We have fact sheets on many of these topics, which can be found here: www.LawHelpMN.org

CALL OUR INTAKE LINE:

INTAKE HOURS Monday through Friday 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

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