

# 2022 Legislative Agenda



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CLRP is a statewide non-profit agency which provides legal services to low income adults with mental health conditions, who reside in hospitals or the community, on matters related to their treatment, recovery, and civil rights.

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## PRIORITIES



### Amend Patients' Bill of Rights to Reflect 21st Century Communication Methods for People in Inpatient Psychiatric Settings

Require inpatient psychiatric facilities to provide patients access to their personal cell phone and access to a computer and internet for email.



### Require Collection of Race, Ethnicity and Language Data for Forced Psychiatric Treatment in Order to Determine What Disparities Exist and Make a Plan for Addressing Them.

Require public reporting of data related to civil commitment, involuntary conservatorship forced medication, forced ECT and restraint/seclusion.



### Protection of Clients' Right to Treatment in the Least Restrictive Setting

Amend the Psychiatric Security Review Board statute to remove the Board's jurisdiction over intra-hospital transfers.

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