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Bowditch Honored with American Bar Association's 2019 Outstanding Medical-Legal Partnership Pro Bono Advocacy Award

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On September 20, Bowditch received the American Bar Association's (ABA) Outstanding Medical-Legal Partnership Pro Bono Advocacy Award at the National Center for Medical Legal Partnership's MLP Summit in Maryland.

Accepting the award for Bowditch was partner AiVi Nguyen (second from left), pictured with David Bienvenu, chair of the committee on Pro Bono and Public Service of the American Bar Association; Weayonnoh Nelson-Davies, managing attorney at Community Legal Aid; and Kate Gannon, attorney at Community Legal Aid.

Bowditch was recommended for the award because of its years of *pro bono* commitment to "meeting the health-harming legal needs of low-income families in Central Massachusetts, including through the Community Legal Aid Medical-Legal Partnership with UMass Memorial Medical Center," according to an ABA press release.

According to the release:

> "Bowditch attorneys are undaunted by complex cases and represent families in resource-intensive legal work." one recommender wrote. "They engage in proactive and creative problem-solving … to address unmet needs, recently hosting a (medical legal partnership) training on special education and participating in a 'Back-To-School' check-up to learn if former clients needed additional legal assistance."

You can learn more about Bowditch's community and *pro bono* work here.

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