**Referring Individuals with Precarious Immigration Status to Community Legal Clinics**

It is important to inform your service user of free community legal services in their area where they can get legal advice and support free of charge.

**To Qualify for Community Legal Clinic Services:**

* Your legal issue must be one the clinic handles,
* You must live in the area the clinic serves, and
* Your income and assets cannot be above a certain level.

**Legal Aid Ontario funds community Legal Clinics to provide free legal advice and representation. Legal clinics may assist with:**

* Immigration Law
* Tenancy problems and housing issues
* Problems with Ontario Works or Ontario Disability Support Program benefits.

**Other Important Information:**

It is usually best to contact the legal clinic by telephone first before attending their office.

Please make sure your service user knows that just because they are referred does not mean they will be accepted. They must first complete an intake appointment where they will likely receive summary (brief) advice. Remember to assure your service user that the services they will receive are free of charge and confidential. Clinics also have access to interpreters.

**How to Find Local Community Legal Clinic:**

1. Click the Legal Clinic link here: <here>, and enter the client’s postal code.
2. Their local community legal clinic should pop up.
3. Call clinic and ask to book an intake appointment for the area of law you are looking for
4. There is a possibility that some clinics may not have an immigration lawyers. In this case, you can call The Refugee Law Office at [(416) 598-0200](https://www.google.com/search?q=refugee+law+office&oq=refugee+law+office&aqs=chrome..69i57j46i175i199i512j0i512j0i22i30l5.3524j0j7&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8) or Legal Aid Toronto at 1‑800‑668‑8258

**For more information, you can also check out Community Legal Education Ontario (CLEO): Getting Legal Help: A Directory of Community Legal Clinics in Ontario**

[Community Legal Clinics in Ontario](Community%20Legal%20Clinics%20in%20Ontario)