

Elder Law Section Report 2010-2011

From September 2010 to June 2011 the Section arranged, presented or participated in the following:

1. December 13, 2010

The Elder Law Section organized a presentation entitled "Seniors and Drugs". The presentation was made by Marie Berry, a lawyer who also has a degree in pharmacy. Marie is the editor of Pharmacy Law in Canada. The discussion included the effects of medications on the elderly including the effects on capacity.

2. April 4, 2011

Sharon Tod, Co-chair of the Elder Law Section, gave a presentation entitled "Falling Through the Cracks - Gaps in Legislation Regarding Health Care Decisions for the Elderly". The presentation focused on the lack of informed consent legislation in Manitoba for those outside of psychiatric facilities.

3. June 6, 2011

On June 6, the Elder Law Section co-sponsored a presentation with the General Practitioners' Section and the Health Law Section to discuss end of life decisions.

4. Numerous members of the Section also presented for "Will Week – Estate Planning for Your Future" an initiative of The Public Trustee's Office and The Winnipeg Foundation. Will Week took place April 25-29 2011 and the presentations included discussions on Wills, Powers of Attorney and Health Care Directives.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Tod, Co-Chair