

Medico-Legal Issues in Oncology

15 October 2015, College of Anaesthetists of Ireland, Dublin

This popular AvMA conference is coming to Dublin for the first time and will provide in-depth knowledge and understanding of Oncology in a medico-legal context relevant to your case load. The day will feature presentations from leading experts covering breast tumours and surgery, head and neck cancer, abdominal tumours focusing on cancer of the colon, uro-oncology, gynaecological tumours and there will also be the view from counsel on causation issues arising in cancer claims.

Conference Programme

Chair: Dr Simon Mills, Barrister, The Law Library

09.15 Registration

10.00 Chair's opening remarks

10.10 Breast Surgery

- Imaging procedures, mammography and ultrasound and misreading of scans
- Breast biopsies
- Staging of tumours
- Complications of surgery-negligent and non-negligent treatment
- Delay in Breast Cancer diagnosis – 'PREDICT'

Professor Robert Mansel, Professor of Surgery, University of Wales College of Medicine; Honorary Consultant, Cardiff & Vale NHS Trust

11.00 Medical treatment of Breast Tumours

- Types of tumour and consequences of delay in diagnosis
- Chemotherapy and radiotherapy- complications of treatment.
- Drug treatment- Herceptin and aromatase inhibitors.

Dr Andrew Wardley, Consultant Medical Oncologist, Christie Hospital NHS Trust

12.00 Refreshments

12.15 Medico-Legal Issues in Head and Neck Cancer

- Types of tumour (tonsil, tongue, lip, antrum, larynx, thyroid and lymphomas)
- Medical treatment- radiotherapy and chemotherapy- complications of treatment
- Medico-legal issues arising due to the delay in diagnosis

Professor Christopher Nutting, Consultant Oncologist, Royal Marsden Hospital

13.00 Lunch

13.45 Abdominal Tumours focusing on Cancer of the Colon

- Brief overview and survival rates of other types of abdominal tumours, stomach, oesophagus, pancreas and gall bladder
- Cancer of the Colon
- Importance of timely diagnosis
- Screening procedures
- Imaging and complications
- Staging of colonic tumours
- Negligent and non-negligent surgery

Professor Pat Price, Visiting Professor of Oncology, Imperial College, London

14.30 Uro-Oncology: Do diagnostic delays & dilemmas determine damage?

- Prostate cancer & PSA
- Testes cancer & fertility
- Bladder cancer & radical surgery
- Complications of radical prostatectomy

Mr Rupert Beck, Consultant Urological Surgeon, Great Western Hospital Swindon & Honorary Consultant, Southmead Hospital, Bristol

15.15 Refreshments

15.30 Gynaecological tumours

- Types of tumour – cervix, uterus and ovary
- Screening procedures and misdiagnosis
- Staging of tumours
- Chemotherapy and radiotherapy treatment regimes and complications
- Negligent and non-negligent treatment

Dr Paul Symonds, Emeritus Professor of Clinical Oncology, University Hospital of Leicester

16.30 Causation Issues Arising in Cancer Claims

- Legal framework

Dr Simon Mills, Barrister, The Law Library

17.15 Chair's closing remarks and close of conference

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