action against medical accidents

in Accident & Emergency Care

Medico-Legal Issues

10 December 2015, Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, Leeds

Emergency Care Services are facing intense pressures to sustain its high-quality urgent and emergency care system (The King's Fund, 2014). With the current changing NHS climate there is a vital need to continually monitor these services and ensure high quality care remains consistent throughout all NHS Trusts. With this in mind, this conference will examine the current standards, issues, roles and responsibilities, investigations and management of key areas in accident and emergency care.

Conference Programme

Chair: Mr Stephen J Glover, Barrister, 37 Park Square Chambers

09.00 Registration and refreshments

09.45 Chair's Opening Remarks
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09.55 Emergency care and who provides it

- · Out of hours primary care centres
- Minor injury units
- · Co-located primary care centres
- A and E units
- Triage processes and the standards that should apply

Mr Nigel Zoltie, Consultant in Accident and Emergency Medicine

10.55 Current standards for cardiac care in Accident and Emergency

- Assessments and investigations and timeliness
- · Referral to PCI /cardiac units

Mr Francis Morris, A&E Consultant, Northern General Hospital

11.55 Refreshments

12.10 Current standards for stroke care in Accident and Emergency

- · Assessments and investigations and timeliness
- Referral patterns to stroke units

Mr Patrick Nee, Consultant in Accident and Emergency Medicine, St Helen's and Knowsley Teaching Hospital Trust

13.10 Lunch

CPD: 5 hours APIL & Bar: accreditation to be confirmed

13.55 Common Orthopaedic Injuries – Diagnosis and Management in the Emergency Department

- Cauda equina
- · Scaphoid injuries
- Hip fractures
- · Dislocated shoulders
- · Knee injuries
- · Achilles tendon injury and ankle sprains

Mr Amjid Mohammed, Consultant in Emergency Medicine, Calderdale & Huddersfield NHS Trust

14.55 Vascular emergencies in Accident and Emergency

- · Acute and critical limb ischaemia
- · Aortic aneurysms and aortic dissection
- · Deep vein thrombosis
- Mesenteric vascular disease
- Vascular trauma
- Referral patterns to vascular units

Professor Jonathan Beard, Consultant Vascular Surgeon, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals

15.55 Refreshments

16.10 Medico-Legal Issues in Diagnosing and Treating Acute Abdominal Pain

Difficulties in diagnosing the causes of acute abdominal pain, investigations and imaging employed in:

- Appendicitis
- · Perforated DU
- Intestinal obstruction
- Ectopic pregnancy
- Cholecystitis
- Renal colic
- · Abdominal aortic aneurysm

Professor David Jayne, Professor of Surgery, St James's University Hospital, Leeds

17.00 Chair's Closing Remarks
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