

Cerebral Palsy & Brain Injury Cases - Ensuring you do the best for your client



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This popular AvMA conference will discuss and analyse the key areas currently under the spotlight in Cerebral Palsy and Brain Injury Cases so that lawyers are aware of the challenges required to best represent their clients. Determining causation, neonatal risk factors and intrapartum fetal distress and surveillance focusing on CTGs will be covered by leading medical experts.

Guidance will also be provided on alternative and augmentative communication and assistive technology for children with brain damage, as well as looking at case management, tactical budgeting and the current issues in CP and brain injury claims.

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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Chair: Ben Collins QC, Barrister, Old Square Chambers

09.00 REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS

09.45 CHAIR'S INTRODUCTION

BEN COLLINS QC, Barrister, Old Square Chambers

09.50 CURRENT ISSUES IN CEREBRAL PALSY & BRAIN INJURY CLAIMS

**BEN COLLINS QC, Barrister, Old Square Chambers &
CHARLIE WOODHOUSE, Barrister, Old Square Chambers**

10.25 INTRAPARTUM FETAL DISTRESS AND SURVEILLANCE FOCUSING ON CTGS

MR EDWIN CHANDRAHARAN, Lead Consultant for Labour Ward, St George's Hospital NHS Trust

- Pre-eclampsia
- Pre and post-natal haemorrhaging
- Cord prolapse
- CTGs and recognition of features of various types of fetal hypoxia
- The role of additional tests of fetal well-being e.g. fetal scalp blood sampling and monitoring

11.15 REFRESHMENTS

11.30 DETERMINING CAUSATION IN CEREBRAL PALSY AND BRAIN INJURY CASES

DR NEIL STOODLEY, Consultant Neuroradiologist, North Bristol NHS Trust; &

Consultant Paediatric Neurologist to be confirmed

- Cerebral palsy, the incidence and the role of pre, peri and post-natal factors
- The various sub types of CP, how the symptoms present and which sub types of CP are more attributable to a perinatal hypoxic event
- The perinatal factors which are suggestive of a hypoxic event: deterioration in fetal heart rate, metabolic acidosis, early onset of HIE
- The timing and severity of the asphyxia, how it can affect the brain and how this will present on the ultrasound and MRI images

- The optimum time to image and the necessity for further imaging as the child develops
- The role of imaging in assessing damage to the hippocampus - presentation of learning difficulties at a later stage in a child's life

13.00 LUNCH

13.50 CASE MANAGEMENT INPUT AND CARE – THE COSTS INVOLVED

SUSIE QUINLAN, Case Manager/ Learning & Development Manager, Independent Living Solutions

14.40 NEONATAL RISK FACTORS FOR CEREBRAL PALSY

DR GARY HARTNOLL, Consultant Neonatologist and Associate Medical Director for Clinical Informatics and Transformation, Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

- Resuscitating the hypoxic infant
- Neonatal infection
- Neonatal hypoglycaemia
- Neonatal jaundice
- Stroke
- The role of brain cooling

15.20 REFRESHMENTS

15.35 ALTERNATIVE AND AUGMENTATIVE COMMUNICATION AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY FOR CHILDREN WITH BRAIN DAMAGE

LIZ WILLIAMSON & HAYLEY SOPER, Speech & Language Therapist, The Speech Group-

16.15 MAXIMISING HOURLY RATES AND TACTICAL BUDGETING IN CP AND BRAIN INJURY LITIGATION

REUBEN GLYNN, Managing Director, Partners in Costs Ltd

16.55 CHAIR'S CLOSING REMARKS

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