

# Medico-Legal Issues in Cardiology, Cardiac and Vascular Surgery



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An estimated 7.4 million people are living with heart and circulatory disease in the UK and more than 100,000 hospital admissions each year are due to heart attacks (British Heart Foundation, 2019).

Failure to assess, diagnose and treat appropriately, followed by issues related to consent and procedure complications, are the common causes of cardiovascular claims. Therefore, it is essential that as clinical negligence practitioners you develop your knowledge in cardiology, cardiac and vascular surgery, to represent your clients as effectively as possible.

Leading experts will navigate critical areas and the latest advances in cardiology, cardiac and vascular surgery including congenital heart disease, the role of angioplasty in the treatment of myocardial infarction, Cardiac surgery, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms and Cardiac arrhythmias.

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**Chair: Adam Weitzman QC, Barrister, 7BR**

**09:00 REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS**

**10:00 CHAIRS INTRODUCTION**

**10:10 CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE - THE MEDICO-LEGAL ISSUES**

**DR BEVERLEY TSAI-GOODMAN, Consultant Paediatric and Fetal Cardiologist, Brompton Hospital**

- The main types of congenital heart disease
- The role of fetal ultrasound
- Post-natal presentation
- Interventional techniques used in atrial septal defects, patent ductus arteriosus and valve replacements

**11:10 REFRESHMENTS**

**11:25 THE ROLE OF ANGIOPLASTY IN THE TREATMENT OF MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION - THE MEDICO-LEGAL ISSUES IN THE DELAY IN TREATMENT**

**DR NARBEH MELIKIAN, Consultant Interventional Cardiologist, King's College Hospital**

- Signs and symptoms of myocardial infarction
- ECGs
- Cardiac enzymes and how the tests can get misread
- Door to treatment times

**12:25 CARDIAC SURGERY - THE MEDICO-LEGAL ISSUES**

**MR ANDREW CHUKWUEMEKA, Consultant Cardiothoracic Surgeon, Imperial College NHS Trust**

- Consent issues
- Coronary artery bypass surgery and complications of failing to recognise them in a timely manner
- Transcatheter aortic valve implantation

**13:25 LUNCH**

**14:10 ABDOMINAL AORTIC ANEURYSMS - THE IMPORTANCE OF A TIMELY DIAGNOSIS**

**MR STEPHEN BREARLEY, Consultant Vascular surgeon, Whipp's Cross NHS Trust, London**

- How AAAs clinically present
- Open aortic surgery
- Surgical complications and the failure to diagnose

**15:10 CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIAS - THE MAIN ISSUES IN THE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT**

**DR JASWINDER GILL, Consultant Cardiologist, Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Trust**

- Signs and symptoms and how they present on an ECG
- Ablation treatments
- Thromboprophylaxis protocols
- NICE guidelines

**16:10 REFRESHMENTS**

**16:20 QUANTUM IN CARDIOLOGY, CARDIAC AND VASCULAR SURGERY**

**ADAM WEITZMAN QC, Barrister, 7BR**

**17:00 CHAIR'S CLOSING REMARKS**

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