

# OUR MEDICO- LEGAL WEBINAR LIST 2023 - 2022



# 2023 TITLES

## **Acute Abdominal Pain in the Accident & Emergency Department**

**Speaker:** DR JULIA HARRIS – Consultant in Emergency Medicine, University Hospital Southampton

Topics Covered:

- Common causes of acute abdominal pain in A & E
- Diagnostic dilemmas
- Diagnostic tools
- Consequences of a delay in diagnosis
- Case studies

## **Bariatric Surgery**

**Speaker:** MR AHMED AHMED – Bariatric & Laparoscopic Surgery, St Mary's Hospital, Imperial College London, Consultant Surgeon – GI & & DR JOHN COUSINS – Consultant Anaesthetist, Imperial College London

- Definition of obesity and indications for surgery
- Patient selection and management of expectations
- Consent
- Early and late complications
- Pre-operative assessment
- Managing the Airway
- Effect of obesity on drug choice and dose
- Operating room factors

## **Gynaecology Oncology**

**Speaker:** MR DAVID NUNNS – Consultant Gynaecological Surgeon, Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust

- Types of cancer and their incidence
- Consent issues
- Diagnostic options
- Treatment options
- Complications

## **Patient Safety Incident Response Framework**

**Speakers:** DONNA FORSYTH – Director, Patient Safety Science DR  
LAUREN MORGAN – Director, Morgan Human Systems Ltd

- Preparing to respond to patient safety incidents
- Systems to support the needs of those affected
- Timescales for investigating and reporting
- Responding to patient safety incidents: Object and format for reporting
- Confidentiality issues

## **Robotic Prostate Surgery**

**Speaker:** MR JONATHAN DYER – Consultant Urological Surgeon,  
Southampton University Hospital

- How does robotic surgery work?
- Benefits to patient
- Patient selection and consent
- Complications and management
- Outcomes in comparison to open surgery

## **The 2023 Legal Update**

**Speaker:** ADRIAN HOPKINS KC – Barrister, Serjeants' Inn Chambers

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## **Acute Cranial Neurosurgery: The importance of early diagnosis and management**

**Speaker:** Mr Richard Kerr BSc MB BS MS FRCS – Consultant Neurosurgeon, Oxford Radcliffe University Hospital

- Anatomy basics
- The important physiology
- Glasgow Coma Score
- Trauma and Intracranial haemorrhage
- Subarachnoid haemorrhage
- Hydrocephalus
- Recommendations

## **Breach of Duty in Neurological Conditions: A Paramedic Perspective**

**Speaker:** Dr Timothy M Kilner PhD, BN, Dip IMC RCSEd, Dip UMC RCSEd, PGCE, MC Para, SFHEA – Senior Lecturer - Paramedic Science Expert Witness – Ambulance & Paramedic Practice

- Call handling
- Response Standards
- Potential for error
- Balancing risk
- Stroke & TIA/ Head injury and non-traumatic brain injury/ Headaches/ Dizziness
- Spinal cord injury
- Seizures
- Range of possibilities

## **Cauda Equina and other medicolegal issues in spinal surgery**

**Speaker:** Mr Michael Foy – FRCS, Consultant Orthopaedic & Spinal Surgeon, Great Western Hospital Swindon

- Risks and pitfalls in spinal surgery
- Negligence in spinal surgery
- Hindsight Bias
- BASS/SBNS Guidelines
- Cauda Equina Syndrome
- Case studies
- Conclusions

## **Litigation in Cardiology**

Speaker: Dr Damian Kelly – Consultant Cardiologist, University Hospitals of Derby and Burton

- Introduction to Coronary artery disease
- ACS/NSTEMI/STEMI
- PCI and PPCI
- Negligence and Causation
- Litigation Case Histories

## **Medical-legal Issues in Cataract and Refractive Surgery**

Speaker: Mr Amar Alwitary – Consultant Ophthalmologist, East Midlands

- Types of surgery
- Contraindications to treatment
- Consent issues
- Procedure and post-operative care
- Vision threatening complications
- Negligent and non-negligent treatment

## **Medico-Legal Issues in Transplant Surgery**

Speaker: Mr Tim Brown – Consultant General and Renal Surgeon (Adult and Paediatric), Belfast City Hospital

- Renal Failure
- World Matchmaker Day
- Case studies

## **Neonatology and the Law**

Speaker: Dr Kevin Ives – John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, Consultant Neonatologist & Honorary Senior Lecturer in Paediatrics

- Spitzers laws of Neonatology
- Conditions attracting legal claims in Neonatology
- Therapeutic Cooling Criteria
- Cranial ultrasonography
- Neonatal malpractice
- Omissions: failures to...
- Advice to clinicians

## **Radiology and Diagnostic Imaging**

Speaker: Dr James Rankine – Consultant Musculoskeletal Radiologist, Leeds General Infirmary

- Why radiologists may miss things
- Failure to diagnose from radiology
- Patient safety and indemnity issues
- Cutting edge developments
- Impact of Covid
- Use of overseas reporting services

## **The Impact of COVID - Medico-Legal Consequences of Delay in Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment, and the Implications on Clinical Negligence Claims**

Speakers: Professor Gordon Wishart – Visiting Professor of Cancer Surgery, Anglia Ruskin University, & Founder, Chief Medical Officer & CEO, Check4Cancer Helen Mulholland – Barrister, Kings Chambers

- Impact of Covid on cancer screening, diagnosis and treatment
- Strategies to tackle the problem
- What is the standard of care in a pandemic?

## **Paediatric Orthopaedics**

Speaker: Mr Nigel Kiely – Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital, Oswestry, Shropshire

- Cerebral Palsy
- Developmental dysplasia of the hip (DDH)
- Slipped upper femoral epiphysis (SUFE)
- Congenital dislocation of the hip
- Trauma

## **Psychiatric Harm In Clinical Negligence Cases**

Speaker: Sohom Das – Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist

- Examples of typical cases
- Typical Diagnosis I Reach
- Unhelpful instructions
- Process
- Prognosis
- Treatment recommendations

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