

Forthcoming Conferences and Events from AvMA

For full programme and registration details, go to www.avma.org.uk/events or e-mail conferences@avma.org.uk.

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

15 March 2017, America Square Conference Centre, London

This popular AvMA conference returns to London on 15th March and 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.

Best Practice in Quantum

28 March 2017, Radisson Blu Hotel, Liverpool

Quantifying damages and costs in clinical negligence cases requires maintaining balance between the clients' needs, expectations and financial compensation. This conference will assess general and special damages in quantum cases, looking at past and future loss; care costs and negotiating and settlement. Quantifying heads of damage in fatal accidents and dependency claims, life after settlement from the client's perspective and common issues with accommodation will also be examined. We will also look at quantifying in professional negligence, and a legal update on quantum cases will be provided.

Essential Medicine for Lawyers

9 May 2017, Manchester Conference Centre

This essential conference has been structured to ensure delegates gain a good grounding in the key areas of the major body systems. The increased understanding gained will underpin all future medical learning in relation to clinical negligence and enable you to apply medical knowledge to your cases. Each speaker will address the essential areas that clinical negligence solicitors need to know, including an introduction to the anatomy and physiology of each system, useful terminology and an examination of the common conditions that affect these systems, their symptoms and standard procedures for diagnosis and treatment.

AvMA Annual Charity Golf Day

22 June 2017, Rudding Park, Harrogate

The thirteenth AvMA Charity Golf Day will take place on Thursday 22 June 2017 at the stunning Rudding Park in Harrogate. The Welcome Event for the Annual Clinical Negligence Conference will take place later that evening in Leeds (30 minutes' drive away) so the Golf Day offers the perfect start to the essential event for clinical negligence specialists.

We will be playing Stableford Rules in teams of four and you are invited to either enter your own team or we will be happy to form a team for you with other individuals. The cost is only £98 +

VAT per golfer, which includes breakfast rolls on arrival, 18 holes of golf and a buffet and prize-giving at the end of the day. All profits go directly to AvMA's charitable work.

Annual Clinical Negligence Conference 2017

23-24 June 2017, Royal Armouries Museum, Leeds

Reduced early bird booking rates available until 24 March!

The Annual Clinical Negligence Conference (ACNC) is **the** event that brings the clinical negligence community together to learn and discuss the latest developments, policies and strategies in clinical negligence and medical law.

As ever, it will be an event not to be missed, with the usual high standard of plenary presentations and focused breakout sessions that you would expect from this event, ensuring that you stay up to date with all the key issues and providing 10 hours CPD (SRA, Bar Council and APIL). The programme this year will have an orthopaedics theme, whilst also covering many other key medico-legal topics at such an important time for clinical negligence practitioners. As well as providing you with a top quality, thought provoking, learning and networking experience, the success of the conference helps AvMA to maintain its position as an essential force in promoting justice. The full conference programme and registration brochure will be available in late March.

Sponsorship and Exhibition Opportunities at ACNC 2017

The unique environment of the ACNC offers companies the ideal opportunity to focus their marketing activity by gaining exposure and access to a highly targeted group of delegates and experts. Contact us for further details on the exciting opportunities available to promote your organisation at ACNC 2017.



AvMA 35th Anniversary Gala Celebration 1 December 2017 (evening), Grand Connaught Rooms, London

Join us on the evening of Friday 1 December 2017 to celebrate AvMA's 35th anniversary and to mark the progress that has been made in patient safety and justice since AvMA was formed in 1982.

The evening will be one of celebration, with a drinks reception followed by a fantastic three course meal with wine, live entertainment, dancing and some special surprises!

It will be the perfect event to entertain clients / contacts or reward staff, on an evening that will bring together the key people from the patient safety and medico-legal worlds. **AvMA's Specialist Clinical Negligence Panel Meeting will take place that afternoon at the same**

venue - the Grand Connaught Rooms - a short walk from Covent Garden and Holborn underground stations.

Make sure you're there on AvMA's big night! It promises to be the most memorable of occasions and we look forward to seeing you there. Booking will open in March.

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AvMA Medico-Legal Webinars



Working on a client file and looking for more information to assist you with your case? AvMA medico-legal webinars give you immediate access to medico-legal talks on subjects ranging from interpreting blood test results to medico-legal issues in surgery.

Featuring some of the UK's leading authorities on medico-legal issues, AvMA's webinars bring you all the benefits of a specialist targeted seminar, all without having to leave your office. Covering over 20 of the most popular subjects, AvMA webinars are a vital addition to any clinical negligence solicitor's library.

The webinars can be watched at a time convenient to you. On average they last approximately 60 minutes and can be accessed on any device with an internet connection. You can watch the video as many times as you want.

Webinar subscription package:

AvMA Lawyers' Service members Was £1,200 + VAT

Standard rate Was £1,900 + VAT

Why choose AvMA's specialist medico-legal seminars?

AvMA is the leading patient safety and justice charity in the UK. We have over 30 years of hosting specialist medico-legal conferences and events and that experience has gone in to creating the ultimate series of webinars on the key subjects you need. Featuring the UK's top medical experts in orthopaedics, paediatrics, endocrinology, obstetrics and much more, as well as leading legal experts, AvMA's focus on clinical negligence is unparalleled.

New webinar titles available from 20th October 2016



Medico-Legal Issues in Orthopaedics: a paediatric focus
Mr Simon Thomas, Consultant Paediatric Orthopaedic Surgeon, Bristol Royal Children's Hospital

The management of paediatric fractures is the most frequent cause of litigation in orthopaedic paediatrics. This webinar will discuss the negligent and non-negligent management of orthopaedic issues in paediatrics focusing on missed fractures, slipped epiphyses and hip dysplasia.



Medico-Legal Issues in Obstetric Emergencies
Mr Mark Waterstone, Consultant Obstetrician, Darent Valley Hospital
This webinar will help solicitors and barristers involved in clinical negligence cases to understand when unsafe and substandard care was provided during the management of obstetric emergencies



How to Become a Panel Member

Lisa O'Dwyer, Director of Medico Legal Services, Action against Medical Accidents

AvMA expects not only a high standard of legal service from its panel members but practitioners who are prepared to go that extra mile on behalf of their clients and who share AvMA's broader aims and objectives of patient safety and justice.

If you are 3-5 PQE or more and are considering accreditation, this webinar will explain the process and answer the most common questions solicitors have.



Cerebral Palsy – understanding your client's needs

Catherine Williams, Case Manager/Occupational Therapist, Independent Living Solutions

The objective of this webinar is to give the clinical negligence solicitor and barrister a better understanding of their client's complex needs in cerebral palsy cases.

- Brief overview of typical cerebral palsy presentations
- Understanding the skills necessary for functional activities, education and employment
- How therapy and equipment can support patients
- Outline the cost of hardware and care management support

To book your webinar go to www.avma.org.uk/learning

Help us raise much needed funds



Ruth Houghton on the 2016 London Marathon

Individuals

Run & Ride for AvMA

- Help 1000's of families with the trauma of a medical accident
- Support bereaved families through the pain of an inquest
- And ensure patient safety for future generations

How We Support our Fantastic Runners & Riders

Pledge to raise money for us, we'll support you every step of the way. You will receive your AvMA pro running/cycle vest, fundraising pack, training and diet packs and everything else you need to successfully complete your event from a 10k to a 100 mile bike ride.

- Firm is featured on the AvMA website own page and AvMA home page link
- Technical running or cycle vest (worth over £50)
- Training guide as recommend by the London Marathon
- Fundraising pack & PR materials (including AvMA website)
- Letter writing and flyer production service for sponsorship
- Your own free online (Mydonate) fundraising page and donate button
- Personal AvMA run/race supporter

Advice and assistance from our dedicated support team "Contact" Phil Walker
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More information on the London BUPA 10K Run



Bolt Burden Kemp BUPA 10K team raised over £1,000 for AvMA in beautiful May sunshine

London, May 2017

Distance - 10K

Registration Fee - £25 approximately

Fund raising target from £250 to £1,000+

The BUPA London 10K routes around some of the capital's most famous sights. For more information go to the BUPA 10K home page.

<http://www.london10000.co.uk/>

Register NOW! for a place on the 2016 race and run for AvMA <http://www.london10000.co.uk/entry-form/>

More information on the Ride London 100

London, August 2017

Registration Fee – TBC

Fund raising target from £250 to £1,000+

<http://www.prudentialridelondon.co.uk/>

The Ride London 100 is 100 miles in 9 hours

Madness! - not for AvMA supporters. In 2013 our 4 legal

Centurions completed 100 in record time and raise over

£4,000 for AvMA. Ride the Olympic course

Contact Phil Walker for details philipwalker@avma.org.uk



Alex Coles and Olly Smith Ride 100

Help us raise much needed funds

What Could Your Firm do to Help us Raise Funds

Eat and Drink to support AvMA – AvMA 2016 Curry Nights & Curry Schools



Learning curry cooking in Leeds 2015

AvMA Curry Nights and Curry Schools are a great way to network and have a great evening out whilst raising funds for AvMA's patient safety work.

- You could buy tickets for the evening
- Your firm could sponsor the evening
- Your firm could donate raffle prizes

A great way to promote your work and firm ask:

Frenkel Topping, Towry, Slater & Gordon, Irwin Mitchel

Contact Phil Walker for details philipwalker@avma.org.uk

Host an AvMA Quiz Night or Golf Day

- Host a golf day with dinner and raffle.
- Quiz night with nibbles & drinks.
- Cake baking with a prize for best design
- Comedy nights with pro and amateurs
- Garden parties with games and BBQ
- Race nights, dress down days and more

Promote your firm and have fun just ask:

Mckeag & Co, Langleys, EAD, Field Fisher, A Neat Legal, McMillan Williams, St John's Chambers, Shoosmiths, Tees Law & Evolution



McKeag Rose Ball Dinner and Dance

Sing for AvMA – enter a choir 2017 Legal Choir Challenge November London

2015 joint winners Shoosmiths Singers



Does your firm have a choir and do you enjoy singing!

Join our legal choirs for a fun night of song and FREE! Wine at the AvMA Legal Choir of the Year Challenge 2017 – St Clement Danes Church The Strand. Choirs from **Irwin Mitchel, Shoosmiths, Taylor Wessing, Kingsley Napley and Field Fisher** performed in 2016 before a large audience. Special guest included opera sensation **Joanna Forbes L'Estrange** and Jazz diva **Harriett Eves** plus our celebrity judges. It was a Great night! For details of all these events

and how you can host a great event yourself contact Phil Walker philipwalker@avma.org.uk