

Forthcoming Conferences and Events

Experts and Lawyers - Working Better Together

23 January 2019 (evening), Irwin Mitchell Solicitors, Leeds;

Lawyers and experts are on the same team – lawyers need to learn to instruct properly; experts need to report in a focused and timely manner. This forum will provide lawyers and experts with shared essential learning and an important opportunity to network and discuss issues and concerns to result in working together more effectively.

Professor Simon Mitchell will give a fascinating insight into experiences he has come across in his medico-legal practice and his work with lawyers, before Richard Copnall, Barrister, Parklane Plowden, examines Witness and Expert Evidence, looking at the choice of expert, the report and the joint statement. A panel of experts will then discuss and take questions on the key issues and best practice surrounding medical experts and lawyers working together.

It is intended to be an informal, interactive evening, where the views of lawyers and experts are encouraged and welcomed. There will also be an opportunity to continue conversations over drinks immediately after the seminar.

Clinical Negligence: Law Practice and Procedure

31 January-1 February 2019, 3PB Barristers, Birmingham

This is the course for those who are new to the specialist field of clinical negligence. The event is especially suitable for trainee and newly qualified solicitors, paralegals, legal executives and medico-legal advisors, and will provide the fundamental knowledge necessary to develop a career in clinical negligence. Expert speakers with a wealth of experience will cover all stages of the investigative and litigation

process relating to clinical negligence claims from the claimants' perspective. seminar.

Experts and Lawyers - Working Better Together 13 February (evening), St John's Chambers, Bristol

Mr Richard Kerr will give a fascinating insight into experiences he has come across in his medico-legal practice and his work with lawyers, before Christopher Sharp QC, Barrister, St John's Chambers, examines Witness and Expert Evidence, looking at the choice of expert, the report and the joint statement. A panel of experts will then discuss and take questions on the key issues and best practice surrounding medical experts and lawyers working together.



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Alternative Dispute Resolution – Effective Use & The Way Forward 27 February 2019, Exchange Chambers, Manchester

In AvMA's experience, most people do not want to take legal action if they can avoid it. Many feel forced to take legal action because of a lack of openness and honesty; to hold people to account; or because they believe that it is the only way available to get the compensation they need and deserve. Increasingly, people are looking for alternatives to litigation and AvMA are interested in any suitable alternatives to litigation that are fair to the injured party and less stressful and expensive for everyone involved. The excellent line up of speakers will help you assess the alternatives to litigation which could reduce cost, stress and time, and, in some cases, save reputations.

Court of Protection

20 March 2019, Manchester Conference Centre

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. The programme will be available and booking will open in December.

31st Annual Clinical Negligence Conference 28-29 June 2019, Royal Armouries Museum, Leeds

Join us in Leeds for the 31st ACNC! This is the annual event that brings the clinical negligence community together to learn and discuss the latest developments, policies and strategies in clinical negligence and medical law. Early bird booking will open in early 2019 and the conference programme will be available in March. Sponsorship and exhibition packages are now available.

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