

REGIONAL FORUMS 2009

**Regional Forum, Thursday, 18th June, 2009 between 4:00pm and 7:30pm
Merrion Hotel, Wade Lane, The Merrion Centre, Leeds. LS2 8NH**

The regional forums are now in their 3rd year, the procedure, damages and costs and funding groups will remain an integral part of the forums due to the importance of these areas to all personal injury lawyers. However we have also asked the transport, child injury, clinical negligence, occupational health and international special interest groups to take part in one each of the 2009 forums.

We have already held a successful forum in London this year, the next one will be held in Leeds while the remaining forums will be held in the North East and South West regions of the country. Exact venues for the latter two will be confirmed nearer the event dates.

Delegates at each forum will enjoy an update by the three special interest groups, together with the latest regional practice developments and other relevant local issues along with other current national and political issues presented by a member of APIL's executive committee and/or APIL staff.

You will find the agenda for the forthcoming Yorkshire forum below, you may choose to attend as many of the forums as you wish. The fee for each meeting will be £45.00 plus VAT which includes accompanying paperwork, refreshments and buffet.

We do hope that you will continue to support these forums and make every effort to attend. Please complete the reply slip below if you wish to come along.

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Regional forums

Please reserve me a place at the meeting(s) on:

18 June – Leeds

8 September – Newcastle

Pre- forum costs & funding discussion - free

9 December – Bristol

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I enclose my payment of £45.00 + VAT = **£51.75** for each meeting.

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Yorkshire Forum Agenda

- 4.00 Teas/coffees on arrival
- 4.15 **Welcome and introductions**
- 4.20 **The local perspective:
Practice developments, local court and, other issues**
Report provided by APIL's Yorkshire regional co-ordinator and secretary
– Simon Wilson, Morrish Solicitors LLP., & Shabana Ali, Thompsons Solicitors
- 4.30 **PI Law – Damages group**
“Up to the minute” update
by: Jane Horton, Irwin Mitchell & Edwina Rawson, Charles Russell
- 5.15 **PI Law – Clinical negligence group**
“Up to the minute” update
By: Stephanie Code, Kingsley Napley LLP
- 6.00 **Refreshments and buffet**
- 6.30 **The national picture: Policies, Tort reform and politics**
Report from Stephen Lawson, Forshaws Davies Ridgway Solicitors, EC Secretary.
- 6.45 **PI Law – Costs & funding group**
“Up to the minute” update and general discussion
by: Brett Dixon, Smith Jones Solicitors
- 7.30 **Q & A**

(The order of the afternoon may change)

2 ½ CPD hours – Law Society and APIL

Law Society level: Update, ref. XR/APIL

APIL level: All