

REGIONAL FORUMS 2009

North East Forum

Tuesday, 8th September, 2009 between 4:00pm and 7:30pm

(A pre forum costs & funding discussion will also take place from 3:00pm)

The Royal Station Hotel, Neville Street, Newcastle. NE1 5DH.

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 successful forums in London and Leeds this year, the next ones will be held in the North East and the South West regions of the country. The exact venue for the latter forum will be confirmed nearer the event date.

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 North East 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:

8 September – Newcastle

Pre- forum costs & funding discussion – free?

9 December – Bristol

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

Name:..... Membership number:.....

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Newcastle 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 North East regional Joanne Willits, co-ordinator and Sarah Morse, secretary
- 4.30 **PI Law – Costs & funding group**
"Up to the minute" update from the groups Gary Barker, co-ordinator and Brett Dixon, secretary
- 5.15 **The national picture: Policies, Tort reform and politics**
Report from an APIL President, John McQuater, Atherton Godfrey.
- 5.30 **Refreshments and buffet**
- 6.00 **PI Law – Occupational Health group**
"Up to the minute" update from the groups Daniel Easton, secretary
- 6.45 **PI Law – Procedure group**
"Update on Part 36" from Mark Friston, King's Chambers
- 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