

Advanced brain injury conference 2021

Virtual event

Thursday, 1 July

Programme*

- 9.30am – 9.35am** **Welcome and introduction**
Morning chair: Richard Crabtree, Co-ordinator of APIL's Brain Injury SIG, Slater & Gordon Lawyers, Manchester
- 9.35am – 10.00am** **Keynote address: A view from the bench**
Speaker: Master Amanda Stevens, Queen's Bench Division of the High Court
- 10.05am – 10.35am** **Life after injury: A 30 year aftermath of a major injury claim**
Speaker: Richard Barr, APIL EC Member, Scott-Moncrieff & Associates Ltd, Norwich
- 10.35am – 10.55am** **Mid-morning break**
- 10.55am – 11.25am** **Rehab and collaborative working**
- Working with insurers
- How rehab can be made to work better
Speaker: Gerard Martin QC, Exchange Chambers, Liverpool
- 11.30am – 12.15pm** **Legal update**
Speaker: Shahram Sharghy, Barrister, 9 Gough Chambers, London
- 12.20pm – 1.00pm** **Nature or nurture**
- Pre-existing issues
- What was the injury?
- Pre-accident problems that individuals or families have to deal with
- Proving your case
- Behavioural issues
Speaker: Dr. Thomas Elanjithara, Consultant Adult Psychiatrist, Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust, Ossett
- 1.00pm – 1.50pm** **Lunch**
- 1.50pm – 1.55pm** **Welcome back**
Afternoon chair: David Withers, Secretary of APIL's brain injury SIG, Irwin Mitchell LLP, Sheffield
- 1.55pm – 2.25pm** **COP/Public law update – welfare**
- Common mental capacity issues in brain injury cases
- Vulnerability/deprivation of liberty
- Contact/sexual relations
Speaker: Leonie Hirst, Doughty Street Chambers, London
- 2.30pm – 3.00pm** **COP/Public law update – finance/statutory funding**
- Mental capacity
- Financial affairs
- Statutory funding/duties
- Direct payments
- Settlement/indemnities
Speaker: Yogi Amin, Irwin Mitchell LLP, Sheffield
- 3.00pm – 3.15pm** **Mid-afternoon break**

3.15pm – 4.10pm

Panel session: Traumatic brain injuries – the issues

Practical guidance covering:

- mild to moderate injuries
- moderate to severe injuries
- organic injuries

Chaired by: Shahram Sharghy, Barrister, 9 Gough Chambers, London

Panellists: Dr Janet Grace, Neuropsychiatrist, Jane Grace Neuropsychiatry, London

Dr Ruth Kent, Consultant and Senior Lecturer in Neurological Rehabilitation, Pinderfields General Hospital, Wakefield

Dr Gaby Parker, Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist, Central London Community Healthcare NHS Trust and Allied Neuro Therapy Ltd, London

4.15pm – 5.00pm

Procedural update

- PD1A vulnerable parties and witnesses
- Impact of CPR changes on case management and budgeting in brain injury cases
- Getting it right first time before the Master or DJ

Speakers: Richard Crabtree, Co-ordinator of APIL's Brain Injury SIG,

Slater & Gordon Lawyers, Manchester

Matthew Stockwell, Past APIL President, Barrister, Exchange Chambers, Liverpool

5.00pm

Close of conference

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