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# Brain Injuries



10 July 2018

7 Bedford Row, London WC1R 4BS

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On 10 July 2018, we will be holding the first of two brain injury training days offering a broad variety of topics exploring the effects of a brain injury.

Our award winning specialist training is delivered by brain injury experts and whilst designed for personal injury lawyers (claimant and defendant) including barristers, they are also highly relevant to insurers, case managers, other health and social care professionals working with brain injured individuals and those from charities which support people affected by brain injury.

Now in their 7<sup>th</sup> year, our eclectic brain injury training days are always popular with previous delegates having described the training as

- 'Very diverse presentations – very good training day!'
- 'Very informative, interesting selection of speakers' and
- 'Excellent some new and interesting subjects'

Places are limited to just 70 delegates and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

## Agenda

### Welcome from the Chair

Ed Myers, Barratts Solicitors

### Sleep and fatigue after brain injury

Professor Mike Barnes, National Neurological Rehabilitation Chambers

People who have sustained a brain injury commonly suffer sleep disturbances and fatigue. This can impact greatly on cognition, attention and judgement and be an impairment to rehabilitation. Professor Mike Barnes will consider this often undiagnosed consequence of brain injury.

### Housing Adaptations

Anava Baruch, MD and Clinical Lead at Design For Independence - the housing occupational therapy specialists

Anava will discuss how to translate medical conditions into architectural designs, and show how inclusive design can empower those with brain injuries to live as independently as possible.

### Personal Injury Trusts

David Rees QC, 5 Stone Buildings

This session will consider the use personal injury trusts in place of deputyships in high value injury cases and the practical consequences of *Watt v ABC* and *OH v Craven*.

### **Bringing Balance to the Brain – harnessing the vestibular system for neuro-rehabilitation**

Professor David Wilkinson, University of Kent

This talk will look at the structure and function of the vestibular system and the clinical studies that have been done which show that artificial stimulation of the vestibular system can improve neurological symptoms in TBI, stroke and Parkinson's.

### **Pushing the boundaries**

Harry Steinberg QC, 12 Kings Bench Walk

Creative therapies, hydrotherapy, the latest housing adaptations, exoskeleton – when can these be included in a claim and the evidence and strategies required.

### **Is it ever too early to involve a case manager?**

Karen Rullo, Neurohealth

What value can a case manager add in an acute or immediately post acute setting? What assistance can they provide in the move from an NHS facility to a rehab facility and what barriers do they face from NHS/Defendants?

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**To book your place, please email [julie.mccarthy@braininjurygroup.co.uk](mailto:julie.mccarthy@braininjurygroup.co.uk)**

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### **Delegate Rates**

Brain Injury Group member firms qualify for ONE free place. Additional places available at the preferential rate of £95 + VAT

£95 + VAT for charities, students, healthcare and social care professionals

£190 + VAT for all other delegates

Terms and conditions of booking can be found at the end of this flyer.

Price includes refreshments, lunch and course materials which will be available to download.

Registration will commence at 9 am for a 9.30 am start and the day will finish around 4pm.

Accreditation from APIL Training applied for.

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### **About our speakers:**

**Ed Myers** is head of Personal Injury at Brain Injury Group member firm, Barratts in Nottingham. He has specialised in representing individuals with brain injuries for over 30 years, and has Accredited Brain Injury Specialist status (and Spinal Cord Injury Specialist status) with APIL.

**Professor Mike Barnes** is a professor of neurological rehabilitation at Newcastle University. He has been at the forefront of neurological rehabilitation for many years. He was founder President of the World Federation of Neurological Rehabilitation and Past President of the British Society of

Rehabilitation Medicine. He left the NHS 10 years ago and set up a neurological rehabilitation centre in Birmingham and now is Clinical Director of a chain of such centres across the UK - the Christchurch Group. He was worked in brain injury rehabilitation for most of the last 30 years

**Anava Baruch** is Managing Director and Clinical Lead for Design for Independence, a housing occupational therapy company covering the UK and abroad. She specialises in creating functional and accessible living spaces for those with life-affecting conditions.

**David Rees QC** is well known for his experience in wills, trusts, estates and Court of Protection matters. He was appointed as Queen's Counsel in 2017. David is recommended as a leading practitioner in Chambers UK Bar Guide 2018 in Traditional Chancery and Court of Protection work and is regularly instructed by the Official Solicitor and appears before all levels of judge in the Court of Protection. His practice extends to both property and affairs and welfare cases and he has been instructed in many of the leading cases under the Mental Capacity Act 2005.

**Professor David Wilkinson** is Deputy Head of School, School of Psychology at The University of Kent. He is also Director at Research Design Service South East part of the National Institute for Health Research.

David graduated with an MSc in Neurological Science (1994) and PhD in Experimental Psychology (1998) from University College London and the University of Kent respectively, before completing post-doctoral fellowships at the University of Oxford and Harvard Medical School. Since moving back to Kent in 2006, he has continued to investigate the psychological and biological bases of human cognition with a view to developing more effective therapies for individuals with brain injury and other neurological conditions. His research group has attracted cross-council (Medical Research Council, Economic and Social Research Council) and NHS funding, and utilises a variety of experimental approaches including normative behavioural testing, cognitive neuropsychology, brain stimulation, and electrophysiological measurement. He is currently a reader in psychology at the University of Kent and is an honorary research fellow within East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust.

**Harry Steinberg QC** specialises in large-scale group claims - typically involving private international tort law and product liability - serious personal injury and industrial disease. Harry was nominated for Personal Injury / Clinical Negligence Silk of the Year in the Chambers UK Bar Awards 2017.

**Karen Rullo** Managing Director of NeuroHealth Case Management Services. Karen is a qualified Occupational Therapist with extensive experience in neuro-rehabilitation and assessment, specialising in brain injury. Karen has a sound understanding of the challenges faced by clients and their families following life changing injuries and how to best navigate them.

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2. **Indemnity:** It may be necessary for reasons beyond our control to alter the content and timing of the event, or to cancel it if absolutely necessary and issue a full refund. The Brain Injury Group accepts no liability if, for whatever reason, the event does not take place.
3. **Cancellations, substitutions and refunds:** Cancellations must be received in writing. A refund of the training fee (less an administration charge of £25) will be made if cancellation is at least 4 weeks before the event. No refunds will be given for cancellations notified after this period, and full payment will still be due irrespective of when the booking was made. No refunds will be made for failure to attend. Substitution of delegates can be made without charge at any time by giving us written notice.
4. **Contract:** This booking constitutes a legally binding contract. The delegate and employer are jointly and severally liable for payment of all the fees due. To the extent permitted by law, neither the Brain Injury Group nor its presenters will be liable by reason of breach of contract, negligence or otherwise for any loss or consequential loss occasioned by any person acting, omitting to act or refraining from acting in reliance upon the course material or presentations at the event.
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6. **Accreditation:** Brain Injury Group is accredited by APIL Training. Accreditation for this particular course has been applied for.

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