
Clinical Negligence – Cerebral Palsy



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Manchester, M3 3NW

Following on from our Cerebral Palsy Conference in 2015, Brain Injury Group have worked closely with Tim Jones, Legal Director at Enable Law, to bring together a training day providing an in-depth look at Cerebral Palsy to assist clinical negligence lawyers and health and social care professionals who support those with CP, to better understand the condition and how affected children can have a widely differing range of complex needs.

This agenda was first run at a sell out training day in London on 12 September with delegates commenting:

- Fantastic day, best programme I have attended in last 2 years thank you – *case manager delegate*
- Excellent speakers. Very informative course. Well worth taking the day away from work and travelling to London – *senior clinical negligence lawyer*
- As always excellent, enthusiastic ‘top of their tree’ presenters. Lots of good practical points to take away – *senior catastrophic injury lawyer*

Brain Injury Group provides award winning specialist training. Designed for personal injury lawyers (claimant and defendant) including barristers, our training is also highly relevant to case managers, other health and social care professionals working with brain injured individuals and those from charities which support people affected by brain injury.

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Agenda

9.30 Welcome from the Chair
Tim Jones, Legal Director, Enable Law

9.35 Introduction to Cerebral Palsy
Dr Ram Kumar, Consultant Paediatric Neurologist, Alder Hey Children’s NHS Foundation Trust

An overview of cerebral palsy including the different types, diagnosis, birth injury, neonatal injury and risk factors

10.20 Causation and breach of duty issues during care in labour
Professor Alexander Heazell, Professor of Obstetrics and Honorary Consultant Obstetrician, St Mary’s Hospital Manchester

This session will look at breach of duty during labour which would give rise to a clinical negligence claim

11.05 Refreshment break

11.20 Breach of duty/causation issues from a medical perspective – neonatal

Professor Simon Mitchell, Consultant Neonatologist, St Mary's Hospital, Manchester

This session will look at breach of duty and causation issues in neonatal injury which would give rise to a clinical negligence claim

12.05 Associated co-morbidities and complications of Cerebral Palsy

Dr Karen Horridge, Consultant Paediatrician (Disability), Sunderland Royal Hospital

Some people with CP will also have associated complications. This session will provide an overview of associated conditions including learning difficulties, epilepsy, communication difficulties, feeding and vision.

12.50 Lunch

13.35 The CP Pathway

Elizabeth Gray, Therapy Lead Children's Services, Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

This session will look at what the CP Pathway is, how a child with cerebral palsy will follow the pathway and the treatment and rehabilitation available via the NHS.

14.20 Role of the case manager – practical challenges

Anita Reals, Independent Living Solutions

The role of the case manager is wide and varied. From liaising with the client, their families and legal advisers, to booking therapies, assisting with educational issues and arranging care packages. This session will look at the practical challenges involved in managing those relationships and arrangements.

15.05 Legal update on liability and quantum affecting CP cases

Bill Braithwaite QC, Exchange Chambers

Periodical payments v lump sum settlement, accommodation claims and other current issues in CP claims

15.50 Questions and closing comments from Chair

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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.

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About our speakers:

Tim Jones is a serious injury lawyer at Enable Law with extensive knowledge of brain, spinal, and other serious orthopaedic injuries.

Tim specialises in handling cases involving brain and spinal injury and advises on a wide range of issues including personal injury, clinical negligence, criminal injury claims and education. He also has experience in claims resulting from injuries sustained at or shortly after birth.

He devotes time helping clients and their families through the legal process of making a claim and helping them access rehabilitation and other services that will improve their lives.

Tim works with Brain Injury Group as course adviser for their training programme.

Dr Ram Kumar has been a consultant paediatric neurologist at Alder Hey Children's Hospital since 2007. Dr Kumar's main area of practice and research is early brain injury and its consequences, including acquired brain injury neurorehabilitation, neuro-oncology, spasticity and movement disorders. He works in multidisciplinary teams with other specialists and therapists in these areas.

Professor Alexander Heazell is the Professor of Obstetrics and Director of the Tommy's Stillbirth Research Centre, University of Manchester, UK and Honorary Consultant Obstetrician at St Mary's Hospital, Manchester. Since completing his PhD in 2008 on the role of placental dysfunction in preeclampsia, his research has focused on stillbirth and fetal growth restriction; his research portfolio includes a profile of basic science, clinical and qualitative research studies to give a better understanding leading to prevention of stillbirth and improving care for parents after stillbirth. He has received over £3.7M of grant income and has published over 140 research papers and received national and international awards for his work on stillbirth and placental dysfunction, and for improving care for parents whose babies die before or shortly after birth. He led the Stillbirth Priority Setting Partnership and was one of the team for the 2016 Lancet Ending Preventable Stillbirth Series. He was the lead investigator for the national evaluation of the Saving Babies Lives programme funded by NHS England.

Professor Simon Mitchell is a consultant neonatologist at St Mary's Hospital Manchester and honorary professor at University of Salford. After undergraduate medical training in Dundee he completed postgraduate training in paediatrics and neonatology in London, Oxford, Birmingham and Toronto.

MD awarded for thesis exploring genetic aspects in cerebral palsy. Interests include neonatal ventilation and respiratory support, neonatal resuscitation, care of the well newborn and medicolegal aspects of neonatology, particularly perinatal asphyxia and causation in perinatally acquired brain injury.

Dr Karen Horridge is a Disability Paediatrician in Sunderland in north-east England with over 30 years of NHS experience. She led the successful bid for neurodisability to become a subspecialty of paediatrics in 2004, has served as national training advisor and chair of the RCPCH Specialty Advisory Committee for Neurodisability and until March 2017 was chair of the British Academy of Childhood Disability.

Clinical lead, Disability Matters: www.disabilitymatters.org.uk

Co-course director, Paediatric Disability Distance Learning Courses, run as a partnership between Sheffield Children's Hospital and the British Academy of Childhood Disability:
https://www.bacdis.org.uk/training/Distance_Learning.htm

Clinical coordinator for neurodisability work-stream of Child Health Outcome Review programme, commissioned by NHS England's Health Quality Improvement Programme, led by the National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death (NCEPOD). This examined in detail the quality of care for children and young people with cerebral palsies across the UK, report launched March 2018:
<http://www.ncepod.org.uk/2018cn.html>

Karen is passionate about using population data for advocacy and quality improvement in outcomes for all disabled children and young people.

Elizabeth Gray is the Children's Therapy Lead at Chelsea & Westminster NHS Foundation Trust, Professional Lead for Physiotherapy and Deputy Head of Therapies. Elizabeth qualified as a Chartered Physiotherapist in 1985 from The Joint Services School of Physiotherapy, RAF Halton. Elizabeth was Chair of the Association Of Paediatric Chartered Physiotherapists from 2014 – 2017. She is Co-chair of the Health Education England North West London AHP Forum and represents Paediatric Physiotherapy on the Children with Complex Needs SEND NHS England Board.

Prior to her current role at Chelsea & Westminster Elizabeth was Principle Physiotherapist and clinical Team Lead at Dr Gray Hospital NHS Grampian where she specialised in Early intervention and Complex Needs within an acute community and outpatient children's service.

Anita Reals is a Case Manager, who has worked for ILS Ltd since 2010.

In this role she works primarily with children who have cerebral palsy and their families. Anita's professional background is as a specialist paediatric Occupational Therapist, working for a local charity in a multi-disciplinary team treating children with neurodevelopmental delay.

It is the combination of these experiences which Anita draws upon to enable her to develop a good working relationship and rapport with her clients and families, which is at the heart of best case management practice.

Bill Braithwaite QC is a vastly experienced and well-known personal injury practitioner. He has represented over one thousand catastrophically injured claimants, and regularly recovers more than £50 million a year in compensation for catastrophically injured claimants.

Bill's practice is highly specialised. He represents claimants only, in claims involving catastrophic brain and spine injury, however caused, including clinical negligence.

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