## **Westminster Health Forum Keynote Seminar**

## Key issues in clinical negligence: funding, early intervention and the future of NHS Resolution

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Venue: Congress Centre, 28 Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3LS

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8.30 - 9.00	Registration and coffee WESTMINSTEF HEALTH FORUM
9.00 - 9.05	<u>Chair's opening remarks</u> Eleanor Smith MP
9.05 - 9.35	Priorities for NHS Resolution and the implementation of its five year strategy Helen Vernon, Chief Executive, NHS Resolution Questions and comments from the floor
9.35 - 9.55	'Clinical negligence - what works for patients?' Sir Robert Francis QC, President, Patients Association and Chair, Freedom to Speak Up Review Questions and comments from the floor
9.55 - 10.05	'Getting it Right First Time - to improve quality outcomes for patients and reduce unwanted variation and litigation with the NHS'  Professor Tim Briggs, Chair, GIRFT; National Director, Clinical Quality and Efficiency, NHS Improvement and Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Trust
10.05 - 10.45	Key issues for prevention and early intervention: safety failures, reducing 'frustration claims'  and creating a learning culture  With NHS Resolution projecting the cost of clinical negligence to rise to £2.7 billion by 2019/2020, what procedures need to be put in place by trusts, regulators and other stakeholders to help tackle the rising cost of harm in the NHS? In creating a learning culture, how can lessons from patient safety failures be incorporated to improve future practice and what can be done to reduce instances of such failures being attached to individual members? As NHS Resolution identifies intervention as one of its priorities, what more can be done to address issues at an earlier stage and reduce the number of 'frustration claims'?  Peter Walsh, Chief Executive, Action against Medical Accidents (AvMA)  Suzanne Trask, Member, Executive Committee, Association of Personal Injury Lawyers  Sarah Barclay, Founder, The Medical Mediation Foundation  Questions and comments from the floor with Professor Tim Briggs, Chair, GIRFT; National Director, Clinical Quality and Efficiency, NHS Improvement and Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Trust
10.45 - 10.50	Chair's closing remarks Eleanor Smith MP
10.50 - 11.20	Coffee
11.20 - 11.25	<u>Chair's opening remarks</u> <u>Baroness Cumberlege</u> , National Maternity Review, NHS England
11.25 - 11.35	Managing the costs of clinical negligence in trusts: key findings from the NAO report  Jenny George, Director, Health Value for Money Audit, National Audit Office
11.35 - 11.45	The potential impact of the Rapid Resolution and Redress (RRR) scheme for severe avoidable birth injury  Dr Sonia Macleod, Researcher, The Swiss Re/CMS Programme for Civil Justice Systems, Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, University of Oxford
11.45 - 11.55	Questions and comments from the floor
11.55 - 12.50	Next steps for tackling the rising costs of clinical negligence: funding, indemnity and reducing formal litigation  What effect would the Department of Health's proposed fixed recoverable costs scheme have on clinical negligence? What needs to be implemented with regard to early intervention, RRR and creating a learning culture to succeed in reducing the rising costs of the Clinical Negligence Scheme for Trusts (CNST), and what other approaches to cost reduction might be considered? With concerns about the impact of the change to the 'Ogden' discount rate on the costs of clinical negligence, how can these issues best be addressed? Following changes to the NHS Standard Contract as set out in the Next Steps on the NHS Five Year Forward View, what will be the effect of law firms being banned from marketing their services on NHS premises?  Paul McNeil, Head of Medical Negligence and Personal Injury, Fieldfisher  Dr Christine Tomkins, Chief Executive, Medical Defence Union  Paul Winner, Director, Resolve Mark 2  Matthew McGrath, Head of Clinical Risk Group, DAC Beachcroft  Professor Tim Draycott, Consultant Obstetrician, North Bristol NHS Trust and Improvement Science Fellow, The Health Foundation  Questions and comments from the floor

12.50 - 12.55 <u>Keynote concluding remarks</u> Ian Dilks, Chair, NHS Resolution

12.55 - 13.00 Chair's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks

**Baroness Cumberlege**, National Maternity Review, NHS England **Sam Dolton**, Senior Producer, Westminster Health Forum