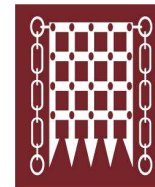


## Westminster Health Forum Keynote Seminar:

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

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

Venue: Central London



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 - 9.30 **Priorities for NHS Resolution and the implementation of its five year strategy**  
**Helen Vernon**, Chief Executive, NHS Resolution  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 - 9.40 **'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
- 9.40 - 10.40 **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, AvMA  
**Suzanne Trask**, Member, Executive Committee, Association of Personal Injury Lawyers  
Senior representative, acute trust  
Senior representative, workforce  
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
- 10.40 - 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.45 - 11.15 Coffee
- 11.15 - 11.20 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Baroness Cumberlege**, National Maternity Review, NHS England
- 11.20 - 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  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.35 - 12.05 **The potential impact of the Rapid Resolution and Redress (RRR) scheme for severe avoidable birth injury**  
*What effect would a voluntary administrative compensation scheme have on families affected by severe avoidable birth injury and how can the system better serve families? With current expenditure of maternity claims accounting for nearly £500m per year, how can costs be reduced?*  
Senior representative, policy  
Senior representative, clinical staff  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.05 - 12.55 **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**, Partner, Medical Negligence and Head of Personal Injury, Fieldfisher  
**Dr Christine Tomkins**, Chief Executive, Medical Defence Union  
Senior representative, indemnity  
Senior representative, secondary care  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks**  
**Baroness Cumberlege**, National Maternity Review, NHS England  
**Sam Dolton**, Producer, Westminster Health Forum