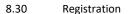
Westminster Health Forum policy conference: Next steps for clinical negligence in England

Timing: Morning, Monday 15th December, 2025

Taking place online

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9.00 Chair's opening remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

9.05 Assessing the direction of clinical negligence policy and regulation, and insights from international practice

Professor John Tingle, Associate Professor, Law, University of Birmingham

9.20 Priorities and next steps for addressing rising clinical negligence costs in the NHS

strategies for reducing financial pressures on the NHS | implementation of the Clinical Negligence Claims Agreement 2024 and scope for future revision | options for containing legal costs without undermining fairness, including access to justice in complex lower-value claims | outlook for fixed recoverable costs following pause in implementation | alternative funding models alongside early resolution approaches | implications of parliamentary scrutiny, including the Public Accounts Committee inquiry

Lisa Jordan, Managing Partner, Medical Negligence, Irwin Mitchell

Senior representative, NHS

Senior representative, health economics

Senior representative, workforce

9.45 Questions and comments from the floor

10.10 Examining costs of clinical negligence and considerations for future management

Andy Morrison, Director, Value for Money, National Audit Office

Questions and comments from the floor

10.35 Chair's closing remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

10.40 Break

10.50 Chair's opening remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

10.55 <u>Implementing the NHS Resolution Strategy 2025-2028 - insights, data and collaboration</u>

Helen Vernon, CEO, NHS Resolution Questions and comments from the floor

11.20 Supporting healthcare staff through clinical negligence claims and embedding learning from incidents across the NHS

Dr Matthew Lee, CEO, Medical Defence Union

11.30 Achieving a more compassionate and responsive clinical negligence pathway for patients

Senior representative, patients

11.40 <u>Improving patient safety and developing collective learning approaches</u>

examining current patient safety initiatives, including Getting It Right First Time | clearer accountability, reduced duplication and options for a unified patient safety strategy under the National Quality Board | transparency and frameworks for collaboration between NHS Resolution and claimant representatives | proposals for a no-fault liability scheme | healthcare professional regulatory frameworks | implications of NHS structural changes for governance, risk oversight and patient safety | evaluating digital tools, including patient-held records and the NHS App, alongside Al | embedding learning, restorative approaches and early complaint resolution | recommendations and next steps following the Dash review

Senior representative, workforce Senior representative, advocacy Senior representative, NHS Senior commentator

12.00 Questions and comments from the floor

12.30 Next steps for clinical negligence policy

Senior representative, policy

12.55 Chair's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

Jessica Lear, Westminster Health Forum

