

Masterclass: Contemporary Medico-Legal Issues in Modern Healthcare

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This is an interactive masterclass which provides a basic introduction to a number of key legal issues which feature in clinical practice, providing the opportunity to explore recent developments in clinical negligence, informed consent and information disclosure, and mental capacity. It will enhance awareness and improve understanding of an important range of medico-legal considerations which are increasingly affecting the everyday working lives of healthcare professionals.

A key focus is to allow participants to develop a greater understanding of how the law works in theory and in practice, how to prevent complaints arising and how to assess the relative strengths and weaknesses of a patient's complaint from a legal perspective.

Masterclass Outcomes

At the end of the masterclass, participants will:

- Have developed a breadth of knowledge of a range of medico-legal and ethical issues which feature in both the UK and other jurisdictions.
- Be able to relate legal rules specifically to different areas of clinical practice.
- Be able to evaluate and apply the legal rules in practical and contextual situations in order to assess the potential liability of healthcare professionals.
- Be able to evaluate important questions pertaining to patient rights.

Masterclass Outline:

Introductions and overview of contemporary issues in healthcare law
Clinical Negligence in Practice
Clinical Negligence Case Scenarios (Group Work Exercise)
Informed Consent and Information Disclosure
Informed Consent in Practice (Problem-Based Scenarios for Group Discussion)
Mental Capacity Law: Debate and Identification of Key Issues
Close of day

6 guided learning hours 6 CPD Points



