FACULTY OF FORENSIC & LEGAL MEDICINE



FFLM Conference 2009

Programme

Friday 8th May

Morning Ulster Cup Golf Tournament

13.00 - 14.00 Basic Life Support Workshop 1 (15 people max)

14.00 - 15.00 Basic Life Support Workshop 2 (15 people max)

Sessions will be led by registered, qualified instructors and overseen by a Resuscitation Council (UK) qualified instructor. Sessions will cover BLS (with simple adjuncts) and AED use. Each candidate will get a set of 'course notes' and a certificate

15.00 - 17.00 FFLM Annual General Meeting

17.00 - 18.00 Tea, coffee, biscuits

18.00 – 19.00 David Jenkins Lecture: Clinical Forensic Medicine: is it worth the effort? - a personal view

Professor Jason Payne-James

19.00 - 19.30 Pre-dinner drinks

19.30 - late Gala Dinner

Dress code: lounge suit

Saturday 9th May

08.00 - 09.00 Registration

Professor Humphrey Hodgson, Academic Vice President, Royal College of Physicians

09.15 - 10.15 The New GMC Guidance for Expert Witnesses

Dr Frances Cranfield

Dr Cranfield will discuss the accreditation process and how this will relate to the new GMC guidance.

Dr Priya Singh, Medical Director, MPS

Dr Singh will look at the new GMC guidance and the possible impact on the MDOs and the changing requirements of their members.

Mary O'Rourke, Barrister, 3 Serjeants Inn

To look at how the recent changes in the new guidance document might affect doctors and the defence of their actions.

10.15 - 10.45 Panel discussion

10.45 - 11.05 Tea, coffee, biscuits

11.05 – 12.05 Use of Restraint (Physical & Chemical)

Dr Peter Schutte

Dr Schutte will analyse the pattern of cases involving restraint as reported to the MDU by its members, including speciality of doctor and the relative incidence of coroner's inquests, criminal investigations, civil claims, NHS complaints and GMC investigations. He will look briefly at the legal and ethical constraints placed on the doctor when considering the use of restraint.

Dr Margaret Branthwaite

Dr Branthwaite will consider the potential use of chemical darts to safely restrain those with acute behavioural disorder. There will be an overview of the problems, the sort of circumstances in which there have been what seem to be potentially avoidable deaths, and information from veterinary practitioners about methods of chemical restraint

Dr Anthony Bleetman

Dr Bleetman will discuss restraint of violent patients. Restraint is sometimes required in two types of scenario: to prevent injury from violent individuals and to deliver care to individuals who lack capacity to refuse. Restraint can be a planned procedure but at times may need to be executed without preparation. Dr Bleetman will analyse the issues relating to use of force in clinical practice and the review the behavioural, pharmacological and physical methods of restraint.

12.05 - 12.35 Panel discussion

12.35 - 13.20 Lunch

13.20 – 14.45 Workshop option 1 *Choose from one of the following:*

 Sexual Offence Workshop – A joint workshop looking at the medico-legal issues of capacity, consent and confidentiality

Dr Beata Cybulska and Mr Andrew Hockton

- The CPS and medical manslaughter the myth and the reality Mr Stephen O'Doherty, Crown Prosecution Service)
- Information Centre Training RCP Library and Info services

14.45 - 14.55 Break

14.55 – 16.20 Workshop option 2 Choose from one of the following:

- Prescribing Workshop Technical and legal aspects of prescribing for detainees in police custody.
 Ms Paula Wilkinson, Chief Pharmacist, NHS Mid Essex
- "Confidentiality and Data Protection" looking at a few key hot topics, such as the inadvertent loss of data (and what to do about it) and confidentiality relating to minors. Dr Michael Devlin, MDU & Dr Janet Page, MPS
- Equality & Diversity training Ms Josie Hastings

16.20 - 16.30 Break

16.30 – 17.00 Plenary session – update on specialist status

Dr Guy A Norfolk and Dr Ian F Wall

17.00 Close