



# Faculty of Forensic & Legal Medicine 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference 2023

The Principal Hotel, York

The 3 Rs – Regulation, Risk and Research in  
Forensic and Legal Medicine

**Friday 12 May 2023**

*Morning session chaired by Dr Alex Gorton*

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& Legal Medicine**

of the Royal College of Physicians

08:15 – 08:45 *Registration*

08:45 – 09:00 **Welcome**

Prof Paul Marks, FFLM President

09:00 – 09:45 **The Introduction of Statutory Forensic Science Regulation**

Dr Chanda Lowther-Harris, Head of Office, Forensic Science Regulator

09:45 – 10:45 **David Jenkins Lecture – Post Mortem Imaging**

Prof Jonathan Harris, Consultant Radiologist, Northern Care Alliance, Salford Royal Foundation Trust

10:45 – 11:15 *Refreshments*

*Mid-morning session chaired by Dr Bernadette Butler*

11:15 – 11:45 **The Institute for Addressing Strangulation**

Dr Cath White OBE, Medical Director, Institute for Addressing Strangulation

11:45 – 12:15 **Mental Health Inquests**

Prof Paul Marks, FFLM President

12:15 – 12:45 **Understanding how and why we fail people with Personality Disorders**

Dr Russell Green, Consultant Psychiatrist and Medical Director For Mental Health and Substance Misuse, Practice Plus Group

12:45 – 13:00 **Panel Discussion**

13:00 – 14:00 *Lunch*



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### 14:00 – 14:45 **Parallel Sessions**

<b>Forensic Medicine</b>	<b>Legal Medicine</b>
<b>Sampling in Custody (and other less ideal environments!)</b> Dr Bernadette Butler, FFLM President Elect Prof Margaret Stark, Consultant Forensic Physician	<b>Article 2 Inquests</b> Prof Andrew Harris, Senior Coroner, London Inner South Professor of Coronial Law, Queen Marys University of London

### 14:45 – 15:30 **Parallel Sessions**

<b>Forensic Medicine</b>	<b>Legal Medicine</b>
<b>Investigating serious adverse incidents in complex systems</b> Prof Taj Nathan, Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist	<b>Regulatory Update</b> Elizabeth Jenkins, Assistant Director of Legal Team, GMC

15:30 – 16:00 *Refreshments*

16:00 – 17:30 **Annual General Meeting**

19:30 – 20:00 **Drinks Reception**

20:00 – 23:59 **Gala Dinner**



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**Saturday 13 May 2023**

*Morning session chaired by Prof Paul Marks*

- 08:30 – 08:50 *Registration*
- 08:50 – 09:00 **Welcome back - Introduction to the day**  
Prof Paul Marks, FFLM Immediate Past President
- 09:00 – 09:45 **Practical Ethics**  
Dr Michael Devlin, Head of Professional Standards and Liaison, MDU
- 09:45 – 10:30 **The Humber Pilot Project - Providing a forensic service for adults at risk of harm**  
Dr Elisabeth Alton, Named Doctor Safeguarding Adults, North Lincolnshire Health and Care Partnership and East Riding Health and Care Partnership
- 10:30 – 11:00 *Refreshments*

*Mid-morning session chaired by Dr Helena Thornton*

- 11:00 – 11:30 **Domestic Abuse Risk Identification and Assessment**  
Marianne McGowan, Survivor Liaison & Research Worker, Institute for Addressing Strangulation
- 11:30 – 12:15 **The link between violence to people and violence to animals**  
Dr Paula Boyden, Veterinary Director, Dogs Trust and Chair, The Links Group  
Kate Richards, Senior Vice President, Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons
- 12:15 – 12:45 **Suicide rates in High Risk Perpetrators of Domestic Abuse**  
Dr Vivien Bickham MBE, Practice Adviser, Drive  
Luke Kendall, Practice Adviser, Drive
- 12:45 – 13:15 **Panel Discussion**
- 13:15 – 14:15 *Lunch*  
*Student Poster Session: posters displayed in breakout area*



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*Afternoon Session chaired by Mr Brian Westbury*

- 14:15 – 15:00 **Q&A Panel on Expert Evidence**  
Prof Keith Rix, Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist and  
Professor of Medical Jurisprudence  
Prof Margaret Stark, Consultant Forensic Physician  
Dr Anton van Dellen, Barrister & Assistant Registrar, FFLM
- 15:00 – 15:30 **Collaborative Working to Improve SARC Quality Standards**  
Michelle Gaskell, Forensic Quality Specialist, NPCC  
Forensic Capability Network
- 15:30 – 15:45 *Refreshments*
- 15:45 – 16:30 **Research Integrity in Forensic Medicine – Do we have a Problem?**  
Prof Michael Freeman, Assoc. Professor of Forensic  
Medicine, Maastricht University and Clinical Professor of  
Forensic Psychiatry, Oregon Health and Science University  
School of Medicine
- 16:30 – 17:00 **Poster Prize Presentation and Concluding Remarks**  
Dr Bernadette Butler, FFLM President

*All details in this programme are subject to alteration without notice*