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Risk Management and Medico–Legal Issues in Women's Healthcare

Joint RCOG/ENTER Meeting

Thursday 12 – Friday 13
May 2011

RCOG, London

Date: Thursday 12 – Friday 13 May 2011

Venue: RCOG, London

Overview

This meeting provides a forum for learning from untoward incidents and sharing good practice in promotion of patient safety. The first day concentrates on anticipation and interception of potential harm to patients and the second day focuses on medico-legal issues, with emphasis on lessons from case law. The emphasis throughout the meeting is on practical as well as theoretical concepts, and delegates have the opportunity to network with colleagues involved in safety and quality improvement.

Why attend?

- Emphasis throughout the meeting is on practical rather than theoretical concepts
- Delegates have the opportunity to network with colleagues involved in safety and quality improvement
- Claim a maximum of 11 CPD credits for full attendance at this meeting

Who should attend?

- All Trainees and Consultants in Obstetrics and Gynaecology
- Academic and Research Staff
- Claims Managers
- Clinical Governance Leads
- Midwives
- Risk Managers
- Solicitors
- Staff Doctors, Staff Grades, Trust Doctors and Associate Specialists

Course Organiser: Dr Leroy Edozien FRCOG, Manchester

Convenor of Meetings: Professor Basky Thilaganathan FRCOG, London

Programme

Thursday 12 May

9.00am | **REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS**

9.35am | **Welcome and introduction**

Mr David Richmond, Vice President (Standards), RCOG

Session I: Raising Awareness

Chair: Mr David Richmond

9.40am | **Involuntary automaticity**

Professor Brian Toft OBE, Professor of Patient Safety, Coventry University

10.05am | **Situational awareness**

Dr Leroy Edozien, Consultant in Obstetrics and Gynaecology, St Mary's Hospital, Manchester

10.25am | **Discussion**

10.35am | **REFRESHMENTS**

Session II: Design for Safety: Involve Users

Chair: Mr David Richmond

11.05am | **Effective conduct of clinical handover**

Dr Ken Catchpole, Senior Post-Doctoral Scientist, Quality, Reliability, Safety and Teamwork Unit, Nuffield Department of Surgical Sciences, University of Oxford, The John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford

11.35am | **Risk management in laparoscopic surgery**

Dr Adam Magos, Consultant in Gynaecology, Royal Free Hospital, London

12.05pm | **A patient's perspective of patient safety**

To be confirmed

12.20pm | **Discussion**

12.30pm | **LUNCH**

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Session III: **Collect and Analyse Safety Data**

Chair: Dr Leroy Edozien

- 1.30pm** | **UK Obstetric Surveillance System (UKOSS)**
Dr Marian Knight, Head of UKOSS/Honorary Consultant in Public Health, National Perinatal Epidemiology Unit, University of Oxford
- 2.00pm** | **The Clinical Negligence Scheme for Trusts (CNST)**
Ms Sue Harris, North Regional Manager, DNV Healthcare and Biorisk UK
- 2.30pm** | **Discussion**
- 2.40pm** | **REFRESHMENTS**

Session IV: **Learning from Patient Safety Incidents**

Chair: Dr Leroy Edozien

- 3.10pm** | **Lessons from the King's Fund Safer Births Programme**
Representative or Senior Lead, Safer Births Programme, The King's Fund, London
- 3.40pm** | **Lessons from the Confidential Enquiry into Maternal Deaths**
Professor James Walker, Senior Vice President (International), RCOG; Chairman of Centre for Maternal and Child Enquiries (CMACE,) Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, St James's University Hospital, Leeds
- 4.10pm** | **Discussion**
- 4.30pm** | **KEYNOTE LECTURE**
Patient safety: the achilles heel of healthcare
To be confirmed
- 5.15pm** | **CLOSE**

Friday 13 May

- 8.30am** | **REFRESHMENTS**

Session V: **Medico-Legal Issues**

Chair: Mr Julian Woolfson OBE, Consultant in Obstetrics and Gynaecology, The Blackheath Hospital, London

- 9.00am** | **Analysis of claims in women's health care litigation**
Mr John Mead, Technical Claims Director, NHS Litigation Authority
- 9.40am** | **Recent medico-legal cases in obstetrics and gynaecology**
Ms Elizabeth-Anne Gumbell QC, Barrister, 1 Crown Office Row, London
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- 10.20am** | **Medico-legal issues in the training and supervision of doctors, midwives and nurses**
Mr Julian Woolfson OBE
- 10.40am** | **Discussion**
- 11.00am** | **REFRESHMENTS**
- 11.30am** | **Pitfalls in the management of shoulder dystocia**
Dr Joanna Crofts, Clinical Lecturer in Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Southmead Hospital, Bristol
- 11.50am** | **DEBATE**
Most cases of permanent obstetric brachial plexus injury are due to negligent care
For: Mr Gerald Jarvis, Retired Consultant in Obstetrics, Leeds
Against: Mr Tim Draycott, Consultant in Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Southmead Hospital, Bristol
- 12.40pm** | **LUNCH**

Session VI: Breakout Sessions

Each delegate will attend **two** breakout sessions: **one** at 1.40pm and **one** at 3.10pm

- 1.40pm** | **Safety science**
Dr Leroy Edozien
Medico-legal case studies
Mr Julian Woolfson OBE
Fetal monitoring
Ms Cathy Winter, Research Midwife, Maternity Department, Southmead Hospital, Bristol
- 2.40pm** | **REFRESHMENTS**
- 3.10pm** | **Safety science**
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- 4.10pm** | **CLOSE**

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