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- ▶ 08.30 – 09.00 – Registration
- ▶ 09.00 – 09.05 – Welcome *Dominique Sherhod, Trustee Headway SELNWK, Director, Practitioners Orbit Ltd*

- ▶ 09.05 – 09.45 – **Injuries Abroad - The Practicalities**

An overview of the practicalities to consider when pursuing claims arising from accidents abroad

Gerard McDermott QC, Outer Temple Chambers

- ▶ 09.45 – 10.05 – **Hidden Brain Injuries – The Warning Signs**

An indication of the signs to look out for when pursuing injury claims which may indicate that your client has sustained a brain injury

Dr Lidia Yaguez-Hervas, Clinical Neuropsychologist, King's College Hospital and Trustee Headway SELNWK

- ▶ 10.05 – 10.20 – **Adapting to a brain injury – What helps, what hinders?**

A brief review of some of the challenges faced by people affected by brain injury and some of the resources which can support recovery and resilience

John Ling, Brain injury Nurse Specialist, King's College Hospital and Trustee Headway SELNWK

- ▶ 10.20 – 10.40 – Tea/Coffee

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▶ 10.40 – 11.20 – **Special Damages and Maximising Your Claim**

A guide on heads of loss claimed in brain injury cases, such as care packages and therapy sessions, which are open to challenge and tips on how to overcome such challenges

Giles Mooney, 9 Gough Square

▶ 11.20 – 11.50 – **Technology to Enhance Lives**

An overview of assistive technology available to enhance the quality of life of brain injured clients, with reference to case studies

Paul Doyle, Assistive Technology Expert, Bush & Co

▶ 11.50 – 12.35 – **Lived Experience of Brain Injury**

Members of Headway SELNWK provide an insight into their lives pre injury, the ways in which a brain injury has affected them and their families, and how they try to overcome challenges they face

Members of Headway SELNWK

▶ 12.35 – 13.00 – Close, Tea/Coffee

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► **Booking**

To book your place, please email a completed booking form to Dominique Sherhod on info@practitionersorbit.co.uk.

Places are limited and will be issued on a first come first served basis

► **Delegate rates**

£100 per delegate, all proceeds will go to Headway South East London North West Kent

Please see the booking form for payment details

The cost includes refreshments and course materials

► **Accreditation**

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Biographies

▶ Gerard McDermott QC

Gerard represents clients with a whole range of injuries arising from medical malpractice, product defects or road traffic accidents. Much of his caseload involves catastrophic personal injury such as spinal cord injury or brain injury. He has a very busy trial practice across the UK, generally in the High Court as well as reaching impressive out of court settlements through negotiation. An increasing number of his cases have a cross border element to them, with particular emphasis on US issues, but also with cases that have involved Europe and the Middle East.

Gerard also has experience in Inquests and Inquiries having recently (October 2009) represented an RAF Pilot during the Inquest into a 2007 Puma crash and having been Lead Counsel for the Health Authority in the high profile Inquiry into the numerous deaths of patients under the care of Dr Harold Shipman.

Gerard sits as a Deputy High Court Judge in the Queen's Bench Division. He is also a former President of the American Counsel Association, former Leader of the European Circuit of the Bar and a long time active member of the American Bar Association and in particular the Section of Litigation.

Gerard is frequently invited to lecture on his areas of specialism, both in the UK and abroad. Most recently he has travelled overseas to give talks to the International Association of Defense Counsel on Civil Litigation Costs in the UK, in Paris in September 2009, and to the European Circuit of the Bar on the new European regulation, Rome II, in Warsaw in October 2009. He has been admitted as Attorney-at-Law in New York for nearly 20 years.

▶ Dr Lidia Yaguez-Hervas

Dr Lidia Yaguez-Hervas studied Psychology at the University of Tubingen in Germany. She carried out her first research study, for her dissertation, on whiplash injury, following over three hundred patients over one year and assessing their neuropsychological functions.

She trained as a Clinical Psychologist and Neuropsychologist at Bochum University, Germany. She started working as a Clinical Neuropsychologist over twenty years ago at a Neurorehabilitation clinic in Dusseldorf, Germany. She completed her PhD on movement disorders (Parkinson's disease and Huntington Disease) at Konstanz University and spent one year doing research at the Motor Control Lab at the Arizona State University (USA).

She moved to the UK in 1997 to work at the Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London as a lecturer, whilst also continuing her research in neuropsychology. She became the Academic Director of the Doctorate in Clinical Psychology, where she trained and supervised future Clinical Psychologists. She obtained formal accreditation from the British Psychological Society and continued working as a Clinical Psychologist at the Maudsley Hospital and as a Clinical Neuropsychologist at King's College Hospital. Around two years ago, she left the academia to continue with her private clinical neuropsychology practice as well as her work as Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist at King's College Hospital. She is also a trustee of Headway SELK

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▶ John Ling

John has fifteen years of experience working with people affected by brain injury. He has worked in neuro-critical care and most recently as a nurse specialist, running a follow-up clinic and an advice and support service. He is training to be a systemic family therapist and has been a trustee of Headway SELNWK for five years.

▶ Giles Mooney

Giles specialises in high value civil litigation. His expertise includes catastrophic personal injury and clinical negligence claims. Giles has a healthy claimant/defendant split acting in high value and complex claims. He does the full range of personal injury work with particular interest in claims brought under the Animals Act 1971. He has regularly appeared in Court of Appeal in precedent setting litigation on this subject. His clinical negligence work encompasses injuries of the upmost severity as well a claims brought relating to medical products. Other professional negligence work includes claims against solicitors, veterinary surgeons, insurance brokers and surveyors. Giles' commercial work covers a broad spectrum of cases including sale of goods, construction, company and insolvency matters.

Giles is recommended as a leading junior in personal injury and clinical negligence in the Legal 500 and for personal injury in Chambers & Partners.

▶ Paul Doyle

Paul has been engaged in the field of Assistive Technology since 1995, in a variety of operational and strategic roles. He currently manages the Access Centre at Hereward College (which played an integral role in the development of the Disabled Students Allowance programme).

Paul is a practicing expert witness; focusing on the Assistive Technology needs of diverse clients including those who have sustained brain injuries.

Paul also leads a team of researchers at Hereward College undertaking projects in and around the field of assistive technology.

Past projects have been as diverse as capturing the end user experience of innovations in AT; to workforce development projects supporting the effective assessment and installation of telehealth and telecare technologies.

▶ Dominique Sherhod

Dominique is a trustee of Headway SELNWK. In 2005, Dominique qualified as a solicitor specialising in personal injury and medical malpractice at a provincial firm in Kent. She moved to Irwin Mitchell in 2009, where she developed her expertise in serious injury and international personal injury claims. She now runs a legal consultancy, Practitioners Orbit Ltd which offers a range of legal services to support legal practitioners with a view to pursuing claims as time and cost effectively as possible. These services include obtaining initial instructions from clients, drafting witness statements, assisting with court directions and legal translations



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