Inaugural NIHL Symposium

Medico-Legal Advancements in Noise Induced Hearing Loss Cases

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Venue:
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Manchester – Piccadilly

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4th February 2015

9.00 – 9.30am   Registration

9.30 – 9.45      Welcome

9.45 – 10.45    **Professor Mark Lutman, Emeritus Professor of Audiology**
                 This is the first occasion on which Prof. Lutman will present his
                 ‘game-changing’ paper on quantifying NIHL in medico-legal cases
                 (The "LCB Guidelines").

10.45 – 11.15   Break

11.15 – 12.15   **Peter Byrom MSc, Audiologist**
                 **Suggested best practice for Audiologists in busy NIHL clinics:**
                 A review of Audit, and a pointer for some research.
                 Delegates will learn about the very latest research on the best practice
                 for carrying out audiograms at clinics, and the comparison between
                 sound proofed booth results and hotel rooms.

12.15 – 1.15pm  Lunch

1.15 – 3.30     Panel discussion **Chaired by Theo Huckle QC, involving:**
                 • Professor Mark Lutman
                 • Doug Cooper, Deans Court Chambers
                 • Mark Thomas, Parklane Plowden Chambers
                 • Chris Fry, Fusion Law
                 • Mr Neil Bateman, ENT Consultant

                 **Topics to be explored:**
                 - De minimis hearing loss: How low can you go?
                 - Delayed onset hearing loss: Can you mind the gap?
                 - When can hearing aids and alternative therapies be claimed?

3.30 – 3.45     Break

3.45 – 4.30     **Chris Fry & Sami Bass, Fusion Law**
                 Practical workshop-style session on calculating LCB in Practice based
                 on real world audiograms.
5th February 2015

9.00 – 9.30  Registration

9.30-10.15  Nicholas Hill, Hill Engineering Consulting
Engineering aspects of NIHL Claims.

10.15 – 11.00  Claire Hodgson, BHP Solicitors
Restoring a company for the purposes of litigation.

11.00 – 11.15  Break

11.15 – 12.00  Chris Fry, Fusion Law & Mark Hewitt, noiseCalculator
The Impact of LCB to Quantum:
Comparison of data analysing CLB v LCB:
Presentation of a paper prepared in conjunction with Mark Hewitt
of ‘noise Calculator’ publishing the results of research into the impact
that Prof. Lutman’s new paper will have on lawyers handling claims.

11.15 – 12.15  Zoe Holland, Zebra LC
The rising tide of Professional Negligence claims in NIHL cases.

12.15 – 13.15  Phil Hodgkinson, PURE Legal: The Future of Noise Claims
CEO of the PURE Legal Group will share his opinions on the likelihood of
upcoming reforms and their impact, together with his market leading
commercial vision for managing the changing market for NIHL cases.

## About the speakers

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