

Personal Injury Conference – Monday 6th October 2014

Royal College of Surgeons, Dublin

CPD: 8 hours

Conference Programme

- 08:45 *Registration and refreshments*
- 09.00 **Chair's Introduction**
Sarah Phelan SC, Four Courts Dublin
- 09.10 **Overview of an injuries assessment for a medicolegal report. How your client can best prepare for a medicolegal review to ensure impact of injury is corrected noted**
Dr Jean O'Sullivan, Consultant in Emergency Medicine
- 09.50 **Common patterns of injury mechanisms**
Dr Martin Rochford, Consultant in Emergency Medicine
- 10.30 *Refreshments*
- 10.50 **Occupational injuries**
Dr James Gray, Consultant in Emergency Medicine
- 11.30 **Presenting claims through the legal process - a legal practitioner's overview**
Tony O'Connor SC, Four Courts Dublin
- 12.15 *Lunch*

Afternoon sessions will go through the commonest injury patterns with a focus on symptoms your client might experience, the length of recovery and rehabilitation anticipated and the likely long-term consequence of each injury.

- 13.15 **Cervical Spine injury**
Dr Jean O'Sullivan
- 13.45 **Nerve injury patterns**
Dr Michael Alexander, Consultant Neurophysiologist
- 14.15 **Lower back injury**
Dr James Gray
- 14.45 *Refreshments*
- 15.00 **Head injury**
Dr Martin Rochford

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- 15.30 **Post traumatic stress disorder**
 Consultant Psychiatrist TBC
- 16.00 **Limb injuries**
 Dr Jean O'Sullivan
- 16.30 **Common complications of fractures**
 Dr James Gray
- 17.00 **Scars- impact and long-term consequences**
 Dr Martin Rochford

Speakers Bio's

Dr Martin Rochford MB BCh BAO Msc Sports Med DipSEM FACEM

Dr Martin Rochford is a Consultant in Emergency Medicine at Tallaght Hospital and is a graduate of University College Dublin. Dr. Rochford completed the advanced training program in Emergency Medicine in Sydney, Australia and is a Fellow of the Australasian College of Emergency Medicine.

He has been awarded Membership of the College of Emergency Medicine in London and the Membership of the Faculty of Sports and Exercise Medicine at the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland.

Dr Rochford has a special interest in musculoskeletal injury and in Legal Medicine and holds a Masters Degree in Sports and Exercise Medicine from Trinity College. He has also been awarded the Intercollegiate Diploma in Sports and Exercise Medicine from the Royal College of Surgeons in Edinburgh.

Dr. Rochford is a member of the Medicolegal Society of Ireland and has worked as a medicolegal expert since 2009.

Dr. Jean O Sullivan MB BCh BAO BMedSci (hons) MRCSEd, FCEM, MFSEM, Dip SEM

Dr. Jean O'Sullivan is a graduate of University College Cork and is currently a Consultant in Emergency Medicine at Tallaght Hospital, a Trinity College Academic Hospital.

She was awarded Membership of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh in 2003 and also Membership of the Faculty of Sports and Exercise Medicine RCSI 2004. In 2003 Dr. O'Sullivan was also awarded a Diploma in Sports and Exercise Medicine at the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

Dr. O'Sullivan became a Fellow of the College of Emergency Medicine in 2008 and is currently completing a Diploma in Forensic and Medicolegal Medicine at University College Dublin.

Dr. O'Sullivan founded an international charity, [Global Emergency Care Skills](#) and has worked extensively throughout Africa.

Dr. O'Sullivan has a special interest in Sports Medicine and Soft Tissue Injury and in Legal Medicine. Dr. O'Sullivan is a member of the Medicolegal Society of Ireland and has worked as a medicolegal expert since 2008.



Dr. James Gray MB BCh BAO BA AFRCSI DFLM FCEM

Dr. James Gray is a Consultant in Emergency Medicine at Tallaght Hospital since 2006. He has extensive experience having worked in Emergency Medicine in both the United Kingdom and Ireland.

He is a medicolegal expert in Accident and Emergency Medicine since 2006 and has an expert interest in all aspects of injury and trauma.

Having graduated in Medicine at TCD in 1996, Dr. Gray initially trained gaining a Membership of the RCSI in 2001 and shortly after took up an Emergency Medicine Specialist Registrar position at the South Trent Higher Training Programme in the UK.

Dr. Gray gained a Fellowship of the College of Emergency Medicine in 2006. He completed the Diploma in Forensic and Legal Medicine at UCD in 2012.

Dr. Gray is on the Specialist Register in Emergency Medicine of the Medical Council of Ireland. He is a member of the Medical Protection Society (MPS), the Irish Hospital Consultants Association (IHCA), and the Medicolegal Society of Ireland.

Dr. Gray attends courses and conferences regularly for his continuing professional development. He is a Clinical Lecturer and Tutor in Emergency Medicine at the School of Medicine, Trinity College Dublin (TCD) as well as an Examiner for the College of Emergency Medicine, London.