



Medicolegal Workshop

Current Issues Applied in Clinical Practice

This Workshop is a must for all healthcare providers, regardless of profession or career level. It explores the current medicolegal framework and how it applies to our daily clinical practice.

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This is an interactive workshop with discussion sessions in a small group learning environment. The workshop involves an analysis on health laws and regulation in clinical scenarios, as well as critical assessment of our own practices. The day is divided up into 5 sessions on the topics of medical negligence, consent, privacy, documentation, and complaint handling.

Cost: (inclusive of catering)
Medical Practitioner \$395
Nurse, Allied Health & Admin Staff \$355
Practice group discounts available on enquiry.

CPD: This course will provide you with 7 hours of CPD.



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The Medicolegal Workshop: A Course on Current Issues Applied in Clinical Practice

Session 1: Good Clinical Practice: *Lessons from Medical Negligence*

We will explore the meaning of medical negligence: looking at negligence laws and what it means from a clinical perspective. Unlike the usual medicolegal lectures, where the emphasis is on avoidance of litigation and defensive medicine, we are going to explore this topic from a clinician's point of view, and how good ethical clinical practice is naturally a preventative measure against litigations. All of this is discussed with interesting landmark cases which established these laws and illustrated the application of the law to clinical scenarios. This workshop will show you how to improve your risk profile and become a safer health practitioner.

Session 2: What is Consent? *Function in Clinical Practice vs Requirements in Law*

What is consent? What constitutes adequate legal consent? How is this different to what we actually do in our clinical practice. We will explore the legal elements and the functions of a consent. We explore what constitutes an 'adequate' consent in the common law, using interesting landmark cases that have established these laws. There will be a discussion on capacity and alternative authorities for consent. We will look at what constitutes a good consent, both legally and medically, whilst navigating the practical issues in obtaining consent in today's clinical practice.

Session 3: Rules of Engagement: *Regulations in Advertising & Social Media*

This session is a must for any AHPRA-regulated health professional who has a public profile, and engages in any form of media, from Instagram, Facebook, print advertising, to media commentary. Even if you are not involved with social media, this session has proven to be one of the most entertaining sessions with infamous cases where professional misconduct is an understatement and scenarios where we can inadvertently cross the line in our daily social media interactions.

Session 4: Privacy Laws, Patient Charts & Documentation

Documentation is the crux of medicolegal defence. This seminar covers not only what is good documentation, why it is important, and how can we do it so that it does not impede our clinical efficiency. In an overview of the privacy laws that govern our professional conduct and the way we store patient data, we will explore the pertinent legislations and regulations – what it means in clinical practice, who and how patient charts can be accessed.

Session 5: Complaint Handling: *Who, What, When, Why and How*

Handling patient complaints can be stressful, hurtful, frustrating and demoralising. This session looks at both written and verbal complaints. We will provide a practical framework so that you can learn an effective way to construct a response, and minimise possible consequences of complaints.

Your Facilitator: Dr Lily Vrtik *MHL FRACS MBBS*

Dr Lily Vrtik graduated from University of Western Australia in 1999. She undertook her surgical training in both WA and Queensland. She qualified as a specialist plastic surgeon in 2009. Apart from a busy private practice based in Brisbane's northside, she also holds a public position at Princess Alexandra Hospital. Lily has been involved in the medicolegal arena since 2017. She completed her Masters in Health Law at the prestigious University of Sydney (Sydney Law School) with a special interest in Bioethics, Medical Marketing and Health Professional Regulations. She currently holds a position in one of the major medical indemnity companies as both risk assessor and advisor, and provides independent reports on complex issues/practitioners for both public and private health regulatory bodies.