

REGISTRATION AND GENERAL INFORMATION

MIIAA

MEDICAL INDEMNITY INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

Contemporary Issues in Health

4th Medical Indemnity Forum

17 SEPTEMBER 2010

HOTEL REALM CANBERRA, ACT



Invitation to Attend



This is the 4th Medical Indemnity Forum facilitated by the MIIAA. It is designed to provide opportunities for those involved in health policy development and evaluation to discuss key issues affecting the wider health sector, not just medical indemnity insurers.

This year's Forum focuses on some of the major issues being debated such as care for the long term disabled, electronic data, national registration and indemnity issues affecting midwives. An interesting session involving high profile lawyers and a skilled mediator will show how high cost claim is settled and demonstrate to forum delegates how the final outcome can be affected by discussion of issues such as life expectancy. Open Disclosure is identified as important in the health sector, but there are many aspects which affect its application. The Forum will discuss the context in which Open Disclosure and apology laws currently operate and consider whether it actually makes a difference for consumers and practitioners.

I encourage key stakeholder groups such as the medical colleges, government policy makers and regulators, and anyone else who wants to learn more about the issues which have an impact on medical indemnity, to attend this Forum.

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About the Forum

The Medical Indemnity Industry Association of Australia Inc (MIIAA) is an industry association for Australian based medical indemnity insurers. Its role is to act as the peak body for the medical indemnity insurance sector in Australia and provide a forum for the open exchange of ideas, information and views on issues of common interest for the industry.

As doctors need the security of indemnity insurance in order to provide their services, the medical indemnity industry is a major player in the provision of sustainable healthcare. Medical indemnity is much wider than an insurance product; it affects workforce issues, workplace training and many other areas of healthcare provision. Therefore, in addition to the insurers, industry stakeholders include all doctors in Australia, the Australian medical association, learned colleges, the federal regulatory bodies and the state and federal government departments responsible for health and legal systems.

Why Should You Attend?

- To understand more about the medical indemnity sector
- To understand the environment in which medical indemnity insurers make decisions
- To discuss with other participants the future of medical indemnity insurance
- To know more about risk management and claims

Registration Costs/Inclusions

Registration Fee \$445

Inclusions:

- Admission to all Forum sessions – Friday 17th September
- Morning tea and lunch

REGISTER ONLINE AT www.miiaa.com.au/events.php

Registration Confirmation

Once processed, the details of your registration will be confirmed in writing by email. Please check this information carefully and notify the Conference Secretariat of any changes required, in writing, to miiaa10@consec.com.au

Forum Programme

8.45am–10.45am	<p>Session 1 CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN HEALTH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The long term care scheme• National registration• Electronic data• Indemnity issues for midwives <p>Speakers: <i>Dr Joanna Flynn</i> – Chair of the Medical Board of Australia <i>Dr Mukesh Haikerwal</i> – Head of Clinical Unit, NEHTA <i>Veronica Hancock</i> – Assistant Secretary, Hospital Development Indemnity and Dental Branch, Acute Care Division, Department of Health and Ageing <i>Dominique Lowe</i> – Inquiry Research Manager, Disability Care and Support Inquiry, Productivity Commission</p> <p>Session Chair: <i>David Nathan</i> – CEO Avant Mutual Group Ltd</p>
10.45am–11.15am	<p><i>Morning Tea</i></p>
11.15am–1.00pm	<p>Session 2 WHEN TO SETTLE AND FOR HOW MUCH – ISSUES IN A MEDICAL MALPRACTICE CASE</p> <p>A case study will be presented where a plaintiff lawyer believes the settlement figure for a set of circumstances should be a higher amount than the defence counsel. A mediator will work through the case and ultimately develop with the parties an agreed settlement figure.</p> <p>Speakers: <i>Alison Biscoe</i> – Avant Law National Director <i>Jeremy Gormly SC</i> – Barrister <i>Bill Madden</i> – Slater and Gordon Lawyers, National Practice Group Leader – Medical Law</p> <p>Session Chair: <i>Associate Professor Julian Rait</i> – President, MDA National</p>
1.00pm–1.45pm	<p><i>Lunch</i></p>
1.45pm–3.45pm	<p>Session 3 OPEN DISCLOSURE – AN OPPORTUNITY LOST</p> <p>An analysis of legislation affecting the way in which open disclosure is implemented and discussion of what harmonisation might mean. How is open disclosure applied and does it make a difference?</p> <p>Speakers: <i>John Arranga</i> – Avant Law Victorian State Manager <i>Graham Bedford</i> – Manager, Open Disclosure Programme, Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Healthcare <i>Chad Edwards-Smith</i> – Risk Manager (Solicitor), MDA National <i>Marg Way</i> – Director, Clinical Governance, Alfred Health</p> <p>Session Chair: <i>Dr Andrew Miller</i> – MIIAA Chairman</p>
3.45pm–4.00pm	<p>CONCLUDING REMARKS <i>Dr Andrew Miller</i> – MIIAA Chairman</p>

Disclaimer

The Forum registration brochure and programme are correct at the time of production. However, the organisers reserve the right to change the programme where necessary.



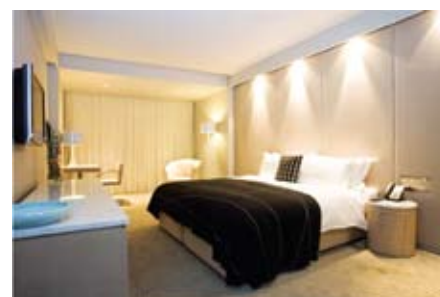
Accommodation and Venue Details

Hotel Realm
18 National Circuit
Barton ACT

The Hotel Realm is located at the footsteps of Parliament House in Canberra. Hotel Realm is part of a truly mixed-used precinct next to the Parliamentary triangle. Combining contemporary elegance with avant-garde design, Hotel Realm is effortlessly chic.

Room Type

Realm Room \$250.00 per night
Realm Suite \$295.00 per night



Accommodation Cancellation Policy

For any rooms cancelled fourteen (14) days or less prior to arrival or where a delegate does not arrive on the date booked, a cancellation fee equal to one night's accommodation will be charged to the delegate. Delegates who cancel their accommodation booking must inform the Forum Organisers in writing of their cancellation by no later than 3rd September 2010.

Changes and Amendments

Alterations to or cancellations of your registration booking must be advised to the Forum Secretariat via email at miaa2010@consec.com.au or faxed to 02 6251 0672.

Due to administrative requirements, changes and/or alterations advised verbally cannot be accepted.

Car Parking

Hotel Realm has underground secure car parking available to in-house guests and the general public.

Rates are as follows:

- In-house guests \$10 per car per day
- Valet car parking \$15 per car per day
- Casual car parking rates are also available
- 0 to 1.5 hours – free
- 1.5 hour to 2 hours – \$2
- 2 hours to 3 hours – \$4
- 3 hours to 4 hours – \$7
- 4 hours + – \$10
- Overnight – \$15 provided the car is removed before 5am. If not, it is \$15 to 5am and then a new day starts.

Liability Waiver

In the event of industrial disruptions, the Forum and the organisers accept no responsibility. Delegates shall be regarded in every aspect as carrying their own risk for loss or injury to person or property or loss of deposit through cancellation by taking out appropriate insurance. The organisers are in no way responsible for any claims concerning insurance.

Non Smoking Policy

The Hotel Realm, venue of the Medical Indemnity Industry Association of Australia Forum 2010, is a smoke free venue.

Registration Desk

The Forum Registration Desk will be located on the first floor of the Hotel Realm and will be staffed as follows:

Friday 17th September 2010 7.00am–4.00pm

Special Needs

We endeavour to ensure delegates with special needs are catered for. Should you require particular assistance, please indicate on the registration form under the Notes section.
www.miaa.com.au/events.php

Taxis to and from the Airport

Taxis are available from the airport to the hotel at a cost of approximately \$25. Travel time is approximately 20mins depending upon the time of day and traffic conditions.
Prices are correct upon time of publication.

Website

Please check the MIIAA 2010 Forum website for regular Forum updates at www.miaa.com.au/events.php

Cancellations/Refunds

Delegates who find themselves unable to attend the Forum after submitting a registration form are most welcome to nominate a substitute. In the case of a cancellation, delegates must inform the Forum Secretariat in writing of their inability to attend. A refund of registration fees, less a cancellation fee of \$110.00 including GST will be made on or before Friday 20 August 2010. No refunds will be made after that date.

In registering for this Forum, relevant details will be incorporated into a delegate list for the benefit of all delegates (name and organisation only), and may be made available to parties directly related to the Forum including Consec – Conference Management, the Medical Indemnity Industry Association of Australia [MIIAA]), the Forum Organising Committee, venues and accommodation providers (for the purposes of room bookings and Forum options) and parties associated with related Forums.

By completing this registration form, you acknowledge that the details supplied by you may be used for the above purposes. Should you not wish for your details to be used for these purposes, please tick the appropriate box on the online registration form.

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