Clinical Negligence

Second Edition

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PREFACE TO THE SECOND EDITION

The last few years have seen a veritable tsunami of reforms, which have changed the face of the clinical negligence claims process. Jackson, the abolition of legal aid and the inquest reforms amongst others have produced new challenges and opportunities for those willing to secure access to justice for patients.

This book is designed to bring a practical view of the current regime and to encourage practitioners to understand the very special requirements of that sadly increasing number of patients who believe, often with justification, that they have been let down by the very specialists they had relied upon to treat them.

Once again I thank my team of expert commentators for their cooperation and my wife, Helen, for her support.

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Clinical negligence was formerly known as medical negligence. Free online information about Clinical Negligence at patient.co.uk. Clinical negligence, formerly known as 'medical negligence', is the process by which a patient takes his or her medical attendants to a civil court for compensation. It is not about professional conduct or terms of service. Trending Articles. Medical negligence is any instance of substandard care provided to a patient by a medical professional that causes injury or an existing condition to worsen. Our medical negligence solicitors in London can help you to progress any claim you feel you might have. Ready to talk? Contact our medical negligence solicitors in London. Call 020 7650 1200 or email postbox@leighday.co.uk. There are many different types of medical negligence cases.
Clinical negligence is part of the general law of tort, where tort derives from the Latin for wrested, wrung or crooked. From: Legal Aspects of General Dental Practice, 2006. Related terms: Len D'Cruz BDS LLM LDSRCS(Eng) DipFOD MFGDP, in Legal Aspects of General Dental Practice, 2006. Material contribution and material risk. In clinical negligence cases there may be more than one competing cause, any one of which could be responsible for the claimant's condition. Clinical negligence (also known as medical negligence) occurs when a doctor or other health professional breaches their duty of care to the patient, resulting in physical and/or mental harm and suffering. Clinical negligence can be serious, and sometimes catastrophic for the victim. At a time when the NHS is under huge financial pressure, clinical negligence claims are costing the NHS billions of pounds. Medical negligence, also referred to as clinical negligence, is where you have suffered an injury due to a medical professional or organisation providing inadequate medical care. This could be treatment given by a GP, an NHS or private doctor or other healthcare professional. If you have been injured as a result of negligent medical treatment, you may be able to take legal action for compensation.