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# Clinical Skills & Professional Intelligence

**ALAMA MANCHESTER CONFERENCE  
24-26 NOVEMBER 2010**

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## What's in it for me?

Attending **Clinical Skills & Professional Intelligence** will help us:

- **Keep right up to date on clinical, legal and procedural issues**
- **Be aware of the highest standards in patient care and management**

As the demands on occupational health physicians to operate at the top of their game remain paramount, the focus of this conference is clinical with updates on issues that are relevant to our everyday practice. As a delegate, you can expect a broad range of topics presented by high quality speakers who are experts in their respective fields. So much so, this **key CPD** event has been allocated a grand total of **18** accreditation points.

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offers excellent **value for money** plus the opportunity to **network** and share opinions with colleagues from across the UK. In addition, this conference will be celebrating ALAMA's 30th year with some added extras including the opportunity for a limited number of ALAMA delegates to attend the annual **Lane Lecture**, hosted by the University of Manchester and presented this year by Professor Jos Verbeek from the Finnish Institute of Occupational Health.

## Venue

The conference will be held in Manchester's most celebrated city centre building, the historic Free Trade Hall – now the luxurious Radisson Edwardian Hotel. Key features include complimentary wireless Internet access throughout and all the facilities expected from a five star luxury hotel. The hotel is situated where the 'Peterloo Massacre' took place. As the Free Trade Hall it has hosted Gladstone, Disraeli, Churchill, Dickens, Wilde, Livingstone, Shackleton, Captain Scott and the Hallé Orchestra.

## Promotional opportunities

For organisations wishing to introduce your services or products to occupational health physicians, eager to meet, develop sales leads and build customer relations yet keen to keep costs down, we offer a chance to build a dedicated package specifically to meet your objectives. For further information on sponsorship and support opportunities please contact Eleanor on [alama@emmm.co.uk](mailto:alama@emmm.co.uk)

## Posters

Posters are also invited for consideration. If you would like to propose a poster please send a short summary or outline of your poster (Clearly marked POSTER PROPOSAL) by 10th September 2010. Any queries regarding Posters please contact Eleanor on [alama@emmm.co.uk](mailto:alama@emmm.co.uk)



## Wednesday 24 November

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### 12.00-12.50 Lunch

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### 12.45-12.55 Welcome

Welcome. *Pete Fahy, Chief Constable, Greater Manchester Police*

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### 13.00-13.40 Work related ill health: Implications for society and the physician

An exploration of the prediction of hazards, trends in incidence and the understanding of the determinants of sickness absence set in a context of clinical governance as well as continuing professional development.

*Raymond Agius, Professor of Occupational & Environmental Medicine, COEH*

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### 13.45-14.25 Rheumatology

Early recognition and modern management of spondyloarthropathies rheumatoid arthritis including therapy and biological agents. Chronic pain syndromes recognition and assessment: physical pain and psychological distress.

*Ian Bruce, Professor of Rheumatology, Manchester University*

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### 14.30-14.50 Coffee

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*One of the most useful conferences I have been to in a very long time*

### 14.55-15.35 Epilepsy

Risk and predictors of risk of seizure recurrence for people with first seizures, new diagnosis of epilepsy and those withdrawing from antiepileptic drug treatment.

*Tony Marson, Professor of Neurology, Liverpool University.*

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### 15.40-16.10 What gets published and why

A review of relevant published research with specific reference to occupational medicine, including a guide on how to get your own research published. *John Hobson, Editor, Occupational Medicine Journal.*

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### 16.15-17.30 Specialist Police Session Risks around firearms and armed surveillance operations

A start to finish narrative including capabilities, command, medic support and contingency planning. *Kevin Bailey, Superintendent Operational Firearms & Olympic Planning Team.*

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### 16.15-17.30 Specialist Fire Session

Discussion of topical issues. *Ian Griffiths, Consultant, Nottingham Occupational Health.*

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## Thursday 25 November

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### 09.15-09.55 **Illness deception (Malingering and Factitious Disorder): Its detection and management**

The detection of feigned illness may be difficult with problematic consequences for the doctor-patient relationship. This presentation will cover methods of detection and recommend how doctors can safely report their clinical findings. *Jon Poole, Dudley & Walsall NHS Trust*

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### 10.00-10.40 **Dealing with difficult patients and handling complaints effectively!**

Practical, motivational advice on managing complaints and complainants and understanding why difficult patients so often behave as they do. This session is based on evidence gathered from numerous clinical sources within the health service. *John Bell, Patient Behaviour Expert.*

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### 10.45-11.10 **Coffee**

### 11.15-11.55 **Respiratory medicine**

An update in respiratory medicine with specific reference to asthma and fitness to work. *Richard Barraclough, Respiratory Consultant, University Hospital South Manchester.*

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### 12.00-12.40 **Severe mental illness and the workforce**

The challenge of rehabilitation; pitfalls in the approach to major mental illness, benefits of close cooperation between health teams, the impact of poor physical health secondary to mental illness, its treatment and its impact on fitness to work. *Gareth Vincenti, Consultant Psychiatrist.*

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### 12.45-13.30 **Lunch**

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### 13.45-14.25 **The Fit Note: The first six months**

A review of the challenges associated with the implementation of the new Statement of Fitness for Work or fit note, introduced in April 2010 and the experience of the first six months of use. *Bill Gunnyeon, Chief Medical Adviser DWP.*

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### 14.30-15.30 **Nanomaterials and Nanotechnology**

Identifying and managing hazards and risks involving nanomaterials; a review of treatment techniques using nanotechnology and an assessment of their effectiveness. *Richard Moore, Nanomedicine and Lifesciences Manager, Institute of Nanotechnology.*

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### 15.35-15.55 **Coffee**

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## Friday 26 November

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**09.00-09.10 Welcome**

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**09.15-10.15 Black in practice**

An update on progress and emerging findings from the programme of initiatives introduced as part of the response to Dame Carol Black's now well established review. *Bill Gunnyeon, Chief Medical Adviser DWP.*

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**10.15-10.35 Coffee**

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**10.40-12.15 Legal update**

An update and open forum for discussion of current issues centring on the Equality Act, employment law problems arising from GP Fit Notes and new cases of special interest to OH physicians. *Diana Kloss, Barrister*

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**12.15-12.30 Closing remarks**

*Tok Hussain, Chair ALAMA*

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*Very practical and relevant to everyday practice at work*

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**16.00-17.15 Local Government Pension Scheme**

New Ill Health Framework – two years on. Why the ill health regime was changed in the new look LGPS. The role of the Ill Health Monitoring Group and where we are today. *Lynda Jones, Head of Branch 3 Workforce, Communities and Local Government.*

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**18.30-19.30 Lane lecture**

Evidence for the effectiveness of occupational health interventions: help or hindrance for practitioners? Please note The Lane lecture is open to the first 30 applicants only and will be held at The University of Manchester's Chancellors site approx three miles from the city centre. *Professor Jos Verbeek, Finnish Institute of Occupational Health.*

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**19.45-23.30 Conference reception and dinner**



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YES

EMAIL (ALL INFORMATION WILL BE SENT TO THIS ADDRESS SO PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

PLEASE TELL US IF YOU HAVE ANY SPECIFIC SENSORY, MOBILITY OR DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

## Breakout Session selection

Please indicate which session you would like to attend on Thursday afternoon. Please note the Local Authority Session has been incorporated into the main programme as it is considered to be of interest to most delegates.

Police  Fire

## Conference presentations

I would like to propose a clinical presentation/poster for future consideration.

TITLE

## For further information

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	MEMBER	NON MEMBER
Full Conference Package (two nights B&B, lunches, dinner on Wednesday, Thursday)	£530.00	£610.00
Half Day Delegate Wednesday (Including lunch)	£135.00	£155.00
Day Delegate Thursday (Including lunch)	£200.00	£230.00
Half Day Delegate Friday (Lunch not included)	£115.00	£130.00
B&B Wednesday	£135.00	£145.00
B&B Thursday	£135.00	£145.00
Dinner Wednesday	£35.00	£45.00
Dinner Thursday	£45.00	£55.00
Guest (Including shared room and Breakfast Wednesday)	£25.00	£25.00
Guest (Including shared room and Breakfast Thursday)	£25.00	£25.00
Lane Lecture (This will be held at the Univ Manchester, Chancellor's Campus 18.30-19.30)	FREE	FREE
<b>TICKETS AVAILABLE TO THE FIRST 30 APPLICANTS ONLY</b>		
<b>TOTAL PAYABLE</b>		

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