

The New Welfare Reform & Benefits Updates

Thursday 03 July
(Newcastle) 10am – 4pm

Wednesday 09 July
(London) 10am – 4pm



The Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability and Thompsons Solicitors invite you to attend a seminar on the Welfare Reform Updates, focusing on how benefits are being affected, how to claim new benefits and the appeals process.

Seminar information

This seminar is aimed at health and social care professionals, those providing welfare benefits advice and those in the voluntary sector providing services to people with a physical, cognitive or mental health need, including those with a brain injury.

Cost: £50 (All proceeds to The Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability)

	Regional Seminar Newcastle: Thursday 03 July	Regional Seminar London: Wednesday 09 July
Time:	10am – 4pm	10am – 4pm
Venue:	Thompsons Solicitors St Nicholas Building St Nicholas Street Newcastle-upon-Tyne NE1 1TH	Thompsons Solicitors Congress House Great Russell Street London WC1B 3LW

Booking form

Please complete the booking form below to reserve your place at The New Welfare Reform & Benefits Updates seminar.

Title:	First name:	Surname:
Job title:	Organisation:	
Address:		
		Telephone number:
Email:	Mobile number:	
Special requirements:		

Seminar date: Please tick box: Thursday 03 July Wednesday 09 July



Completed booking forms and cheques should be sent to:

Paul Brown, St Nicholas Building, St Nicholas Street Newcastle-upon-Tyne NE1 1TH

Cheques should be made payable to Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability.

Fees are non-refundable. Substitutions are permitted at any time.

Any queries, please contact Paul Brown at Thompsons Solicitors on **0191 269 0438**

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Programme:

10.00am – 10.15am	Registration and refreshments
10.15am – 10.20am	Welcome and introduction from Patti Simonson – social care advisor and project lead, Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability
10.20am – 10.30am	Welcome from Chair, Paul Brown, senior serious injury solicitor, Thompsons Solicitors
10.30am – 12.00pm	DWP Welfare Reform and Benefits Update - Eileen Billett (Newcastle) / Kam Patel (London), partnership support managers, Department for Work and Pensions
12.00pm – 1.00pm	Welfare Benefits: how to complete ESA 50 questionnaires and PIP 2 application forms – Anne-Marie Sherwood, benefits and welfare administrator, Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability
1.00pm – 1.45pm	Lunch
1.45pm – 2.30pm	Vocational rehabilitation and work programmes – Alister Berry, consultant neuropsychologist, Momentum North East
2.30pm – 3.00pm	Is it really that simple to conduct an appeal? An outline of how the welfare benefits appeal process operates - Paul Sandford, welfare rights trainer
3.00pm – 3.30pm	Case study work and group preparation
3.30pm – 3.55pm	Report back session and questions
3.55pm – 4.00pm	Closing remarks – Patti Simonson, social care advisor and project lead, Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

About the Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

The Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability (RHN) is a national medical charity, independent from the NHS that works to improve the lives of adults affected by severe neurological disability through specialist long term care and rehabilitation.

About Thompsons Solicitors

Thompsons Solicitors is the most experienced personal injury practice in the UK with over 1,000 staff based across a network of offices. Thompsons has specialist serious injury teams who are committed to working in partnership with care coordinators and medical professionals to assess patients' needs and obtain access to the right level of compensation.

Thompsons Solicitors is proud to only stand up for the injured and mistreated, never employers or the insurance industry.