

Inaugural UK Mental Disability Law Conference Call for papers and event guide

In association with the Institute of Mental Health
and the School of Law, University of Nottingham



**Thursday 30 June – Friday 1
July 2016**

**Venue: Law and Social Sciences Building,
University of Nottingham, University Park
Campus, Nottingham NG7 2RD**

Cost:

£275 – Full price

£135 – Student and service user concessionary rate

Please note, the above price includes the two-day conference and conference dinner.
Accommodation is not included.

About the event:

Mental disability law (including both mental health law and mental capacity law) in the UK has come into its own in recent years, and there is now a wide range of researchers active in the field, in a variety of disciplines. This conference is intended to bring these people together for the first meeting of what it is hoped will be an ongoing academic network.

The conference is sponsored jointly by the School of Law at the University of Nottingham and the Institute of Mental Health, a partnership between Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust and the University of Nottingham. The conference will combine plenary and breakout sessions.

Confirmed plenary speakers:

- **What it means to be a service user and the political status it should secure**
Julie Repper, Programme Director, IMROC
- **The future of inspection and regulation**
Malcolm Evans, Chair, UN Subcommittee for the Prevention of Torture
Kay Sheldon, Board member, Care Quality Commission
Mat Kinton, National Mental Health Policy Advisor, Care Quality Commission
Colin McKay, Chief Executive, Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland
- **Compulsion in psychiatry and the role of law in a non-discriminatory world**
Martin Zinkler, Clinical Director, Kliniken Landkreis Heidenheim gGmb
- **The future of human rights and mental disability**
Paul Bowen QC
Cathy Asante, Scottish Human Rights Commission

Call for papers – deadline 1 May 2016

Offers of papers for the breakout sessions are invited from scholars of any discipline relevant to law and governance relating to mental disability (including psychosocial disabilities/mental health problems, learning disabilities, and dementia and related disorders of old age). There is no restriction on methodology: papers may be empirical, policy-centred, historical, analytic, traditional legal, or theoretical, in approach.

Offers of papers should be sent to Peter Bartlett (peter.bartlett@nottingham.ac.uk), and should include the name, institutional affiliation (if any) and email address of the primary presenter, the names and institutional affiliations of any co-presenters, and an abstract of up to 200 words. Deadline for submission of offers of papers is 1 May 2016.

Pre conference event – 29 June 2016

A roundtable discussed event will be held for students on 29 June at the Institute of Mental Health on Triumph Road in Nottingham. Details about this event are available from Amanda Keeling (a.keeling@leeds.ac.uk). To register for the pre-conference event, please select this option on the registration form.

Abstracts for the pre-conference are not required, however, students are encouraged to submit offers of papers for the main conference.

Accommodation

Accommodation is not included in the conference fee and delegates are therefore required to book and pay for accommodation independently.

- The Cavendish Hall, University of Nottingham
A secured rate of £44.30 plus VAT for an ensuite room, on a bed and breakfast basis has been secured for delegates. To book accommodation in the Cavendish Hall, please visit: www.nottinghamconferences.co.uk/online-bb-bookings.
When booking, please insert the date (30 June 2016) and the promotional code 15808IMH

Other nearby accommodation:

- Orchard Hotel, Beeston Lane, The University of Nottingham, NG7 2RJ
Tel: 0115 876 0862/3
<http://www.deverevenues.co.uk/en/venues/east-midlands-conference-centre-orchard-hotel/>

Registration

It is expected that half the presenters at plenary sessions will be people with lived experience of mental health/mental disability services. It is also hoped that at least one fifth of the delegates to the conference will have such lived experience.

All attendees (including presenters in the breakout sessions) must register for the conference and pay the required attendance fee. Reduced rates are available for service users and student delegates.

**To register your attendance or for further information please email
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