

BRIGHT MINDS

Ethics for All – The Arc of Care

Medical Protection Conference

Wednesday 28 October 2026

Venue: Virtual – Online

Time: 19.00 – 21.30 (local time)

Cost: Free of charge

Programme

19.00

Welcome and introduction by Conference Chair

Dr Rob Hendry, Chief Member Officer, Medical Protection

19.05

Keynote: The trust advantage – how you can build, maintain and restore it

Bruce Whitfield, Speaker, journalist and author

19.30

When does the doctor-patient relationship begin? – A clinician's journey through an HPCSA complaint

Facilitators:

Ms Christine Groenewald, Claims Manager, and

Dr Yash Naidoo, Dentolegal Consultant, at MPS South Africa

Dr Norbert Welkovich, General Surgeon and Intensivist

Mr Alton Samuels, Attorney, Klinck & Samuels

20.20

Comfort break

20.30

Beyond the bedside – case studies:

The web of relationships in modern medicine

Dr Shivani Chirkut, Medicolegal Consultant, Medical Protection, and

Christine Groenewald, Claims Manager, Medical Protection

21.00

An ethical view of contacts and connections

Dr Volker Hitzeroth, Medicolegal Consultant, Medical Protection

21.25

Conference close

Dr Rob Hendry, Chief Member Officer, Medical Protection