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Lorna is the head of our national clinical negligence team. She has extensive experience in advising health clients on their most difficult, high profile and sensitive cases, often involving death or catastrophic injury. She is top ranked by Chambers as a leading expert in the field and is client partner for NHS Resolution.

Having specialised in defendant clinical negligence work throughout her career, Lorna became head of the team in 2015 and since then has grown it considerably, expanding it across our five offices in the UK.

Lorna has a particular interest in helping health clients where poor clinical care has resulted in claims by multiple patients. Having dealt with inquests, inquiries, investigations, patient recall exercises and regulatory proceedings during her career, she is able to provide pragmatic and holistic support on all of the issues arising from these difficult situations.

Expertise

Ambulance trusts

Health

Health indemnifiers

HealthTech

Independent health and care

Insurance

NHS acute trusts

NHS mental and community health trusts

Primary care

Featured experience

A large mental health Trust

Advising on the resolution of a cluster of claims following prison suicides, where there were issues for the healthcare provider relating to the provision of mental health support.

A large Midlands NHS Trust

Advising on resolution of a group of claims arising from maxillofacial surgery.

A Trust in the Midlands

Advising on patient recall exercise and claims handling agreement relating to claims arising from orthopaedic surgery

Several Midlands Trusts

Establishing a claims handling agreement, collaborating with several firms of solicitors, where multiple claims arose in relation to one practitioner, stretching back over many years.

Testimonials

"Lorna Hardman is a great support in challenging times."

Chambers 2022,

"She is excellent and will fight for clients."

Chambers 2022,

"She's an excellent lawyer - there is very little that gets past her and she brings huge amounts of experience to the table. She also has the confidence of her clients."

Chambers 2021,

"She's very calm, very experienced and a very solid lawyer."

Chambers 2021,