

# Shared Insights: Focus on maternity and neonatal safety

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There is rightly considerable national focus on supporting maternity services to learn from harm in a meaningful way, but with increased scrutiny can come increased pressure on staff.

This session focused on insights from our extensive experience of supporting maternity staff through high profile maternity inquests and complex and high-value maternity claims. We looked at how to ensure that there is accountability and openness with families in an environment which supports staff when things sadly go wrong.

Chairs Amelia Newbold, Risk Management Lead and Sian Brown, Partner in our specialist maternity division were joined by Bridget Prosser, Partner in our employment team. We were also delighted to hear insights from experienced professionals working in maternity services, including: Sarah Noble, Director of Midwifery at University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust and Julie Shaw, Maternity Investigations Team Leader (Midlands & East Central North) from the Maternity and Newborn Safety Investigations (MNSI).

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