



THE LAW SOCIETY
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MEDICO-LEGAL EXAMINATIONS

Aim

The examination aims to identify any injury or medical condition that you suffer and to determine the extent to which such injury or condition was caused by your accident and/or work conditions.

Doctor

The doctor is a specialist in relation to one or more of the injuries or conditions you suffer.

The doctor is independent and not employed by an insurance company or legal firm.

Before the Appointment

Ensure you have the correct appointment time and address.

Advise your solicitor if you need an interpreter.

Take any medical imaging and test results with you.

The Examination

Please be punctual to enable the doctor to obtain all necessary information within the allotted time.

The doctor may ask you about your past medical history. He/she will ask about the circumstances in which you suffered your injury or condition and about subsequent treatment.

Answer all questions honestly to the best of your ability – if you don't know an answer, say so.

You are not required to disclose any discussions with your lawyer.

The doctor may carry out a physical examination.

The Report

The report will be sent to the person who arranged the examination. You should be provided with a copy of the report by your solicitor.

The report will be used in determining the outcome of your claim and may be used as evidence in Court.

Any Concerns?

Speak to your solicitor about any concerns you may have.

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