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# How to save a life: seeking orders for health care for detained asylum seekers

## Speakers:

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## Chair:

Shane Prince SC, Human Rights  
Committee

NSW Bar Association  
Common Room

5.15pm Thursday 22 November 2018

1.5 HOUR SEMINAR  
1.5 CPD POINTS IN THE SUBSTANTIVE  
LAW, PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE, AND  
EVIDENCE STRAND

The courts have recently made orders requiring the Australian Government to provide medical treatment in Australia to detained asylum seekers. These orders have been made in life threatening situations and are a tribute to the court system and the work done by lawyers, assisted by medical professionals, in dealing with those proceedings.

In this CPD, Geoffrey Watson SC of the NSW Bar will draw on his experience as advocate in proceedings of this kind to discuss the legal and practical steps required to obtain an urgent injunction to facilitate medical treatment in Australia for detained asylum seekers. In addition, two medical professionals, Associate Professor Munjed Al Muderis and Dr Barri Phatarfod, will share their insights into the medical services needed in the detention environment. Learn more about our speakers [here](#).

The seminar aims to raise awareness of the difficulties faced by some detained asylum seekers in accessing appropriate medical treatment; provide barristers with avenues and practical tips for assisting asylum seekers who need legal help to secure such treatment; and help forge connections between barristers, doctors, and other bodies that are attempting to facilitate access to legal redress in relation to appropriate medical care in detention.

*This seminar has been organised by the Human Rights Committee of the NSW Bar Association.*

THIS SEMINAR IS OPEN TO MEMBERS OF THE NSW  
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REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED

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