In January 2017 the Law Society of Northern Ireland requested that all Principals, Consultants and Assistants in private practice (PPC, PPP and PPAs) complete 2 hours of Compulsory Risk Management CPD.

The Society has launched its new Compulsory Risk Management training module for 2018 which will cover three key areas.

As before members can access the training which will be rolled out across Northern Ireland and also available as a webinar, at a cost of £30.

The topics to be covered in the 2018 Compulsory Risk Management training are:

1. File Management and Avoiding Claims
2. Anti-Money Laundering
3. Counter Terrorism Funding and the General Data Protection Regulation.

The events will take place as detailed overleaf.
Guidance notes for compliance with the requirement to complete 2 hours’ Compulsory Risk Management CPD

- Principals, Consultants and Assistant Solicitors in private practice (PPP, PPC, and PPAs) are required to complete 2 hours’ Risk Management CPD covering the following topics: File Management and Avoiding Claims, Anti Money Laundering and Counter Terrorism Funding and the General Data Protection Regulation.
- The requirement to complete the 2 hours’ Risk Management CPD is in addition to the requirement to complete 3 hours of Client Care and Practice Management.
- There is no increase in the overall total hours of required CPD per year.
- A bespoke 2 hour Law Society module costing £30 will cover the required topics. It will be delivered in a number of venues and will also be available as an alternative by way of webinar.
- Members may fulfil this requirement by attending other risk management courses which cover each of the three topics and must be in a position to provide evidence of their attendance at such other courses, to satisfy the Society of their compliance, in accordance with the Society’s normal procedure.
- If members access the Risk Management webinar, it will count as part of the Private Study Requirement.
- If members attend in person it will count as 2 hours of General Group Study.
- The Exemptions numbered 1-7 in the CPD Record Card do not apply to those required to complete Compulsory Risk Management CPD namely, Principals. Consultants and Assistant Solicitors in private practice.

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