

Panetta McGrath Lawyers is a Western Australia based firm advising and representing clients operating in Health and Aged Care Law, Criminal Law, Insurance Law and Employment, Workplace Relations and Safety Law.

Our Lawyers also act for medical, dental and allied health professionals, medical defence organisations, as we well as government and non-government insurers.

We support and guide our clients through complex legal issues impacting individual's professional lives, businesses, and practices. Our approach is simple: we are hands-on and work alongside our clients to advise, consider, and efficiently resolve complex legal concerns.

Part of the industry

Panetta McGrath actively participates in and supports peak industry bodies, including Aged & Community Services Australia, Australian Dental Association Western Australia, Australian Medical Association (WA) and the Western Australian Council of Social Service.

As industry partners and participants, we remain at the forefront of developments. We listen to our clients and contacts in the industry, working with them to identify opportunities and anticipate challenges.

How we can help

Our Lawyers are recognised as a market leader in medical negligence, we provide innovative and pragmatic solutions to liability claims, disputes of all types and health law issues generally. Following are examples of how we can support you:

- Defence of negligence litigation, including professional indemnity, public liability, and product liability.
- Regulatory law and professional disciplinary proceedings
- Coronial inquiries and inquests
- Medicare Australia and Professional Services Review investigations and proceedings
- Litigation and dispute resolution
- Employment and workplace relations
- Dealing with responding to patient complaints
- Consent to medical treatment
- Decision to withhold or withdraw treatment
- End of life decision making
- Privacy and Personal safety issues, including restraining orders
- Corporate governance
- Commercial transactions
- Enduring powers of guardianship



Meet our Team

Our team is recognised for their expertise and experience in their specialist areas of practice. We are collaborative and client-focused, delivering the best quality and effective legal solutions to help our clients succeed.



Gemma McGrath, Managing Director

Gemma practices in the areas of health and aged care law, vocational regulation, and dispute resolution. She advises on legislative responsibilities, risk management, debt recovery issues and guardianship and administration matters. Gemma also acts in professional conduct matters and represents clients at coronial inquests, in the State Administrative Tribunal and for public hospitals in civil claims, appearing regularly in the Supreme Court and District Courts of WA.

Gemma is recognised in Doyle's Guide as pre-eminent WA medical negligence and malpractice lawyer (defendant) and is named in Best Lawyers in the categories of insurance law and professional malpractice litigation. She is also a member of the St John of God Health Care Scientific Review Sub Committee.



Enore Panetta, Director

Enore represents medical, dental and allied health professionals and organisations in all areas of health law. This includes the defence of medical negligence claims, disciplinary proceedings by the Medical Board of Australia and AHPRA, Medicare investigations, Coroners' inquests, criminal prosecutions, employment disputes between practitioners and hospitals. He also represents operators of aged care facilities in negligence claims, responding to complaints, and inquests.

Enore acts for insurers in respect of general and public liability claims, employer liability claims and professional negligence. He has been included in the Best lawyers in Australia list in the area of medical negligence in every year since 2014 and additionally in the area of insurance law since 2019. He is also recognised in the Doyle's Guide rankings as a pre-eminent medical negligence lawyer (defendant) and he has also been awarded Perth - 'Lawyer of the Year' in the 2022 Best lawyers in Australia, Professional Malpractice Litigation and the 2024 Best lawyers in Australia, Health and Aged Care Law.



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