



About us

IPMA- Expert Institute of Associated Doctors was founded in November 2014 with the aim to provide medical-legal, administrative and legal services in the field of Medical professional liability all over the country.

Our strength lies in a completely innovative approach to the file: a careful, 'comparative and ongoing' study of the case carried out by Specialists and Forensic Scientists.

This allows the drawing up of Final Advice which is in continuous compliance with the **National/European Guidelines** of the reference specific branch relating to the period the event occurred.

Such a development has been made possible through the enhancement - which has taken place over the years- of our **Administrative and Scientific Team** that, to date, is able to support the management of Medical Liability accidents on behalf of Insurance Companies in defence of ASL (Local Health Authorities) and Italian private healthcare facilities (among our best clients we can mention Amtrust Europe, Berkshire Hatway, Armour Risk, Starstone, CHP Legal and so on) for many of which, in a short time, IPMA has come to play a major role for files regarding the whole national territory, from Triveneto to Sicily.

Our premises

IPMA operates in the following places:

- 📍 Abruzzo - premises in Pescara
- 📍 Calabria - premises in Reggio Calabria
- 📍 Campania - premises in Naples
- 📍 Emilia Romagna - premises in Ferrara
- 📍 Lazio - premises in Rome
- 📍 Lombardy - premises in Milan
- 📍 Marche - premises in Fermo
- 📍 Apulia - premises in Bari
- 📍 Sardinia - premises in Cagliari
- 📍 Sicily - premises in Palermo and Catania
- 📍 Veneto - premises in Verona



IPMA added value

We know that in Italy there are not similar business realities specifically and exclusively dealing with the medical professional liability. The conventional format of the individual forensic scientist who, by analysing the case in purely medical-legal terms, develops a report without the essential contribution of the branch specialist, is actually very widespread.

We believe that, in the perspective of an extreme evolution and specialization of medicine, both from a diagnostic and therapeutic point of view, the *analysis and study of the causal connection* must be carried out by doctors specialized in that branch.

Within the team, which includes more than 200 Doctors, we are particularly proud to mention the **Work Teams in the field of *Obstetrics/Gynaecology, Cardiology/Intensive care, Neurosurgery, Infectious Disease, Surgery*** in all its subspecialties (Maxillofacial Surgery, Urology, etc), **Orthopaedics, Ophthalmology, Oncology/Anatomopathology, Forensic Dentistry, Psychiatry/Psychology.**

In agreement with one another, the **Forensic Scientists**, following the Specialists' indications, and subsequent to the required consensus conferences to discuss the cases, draw up the expert report upon an agreed strategy.

Each and every report is accompanied by a detailed bibliography and iconography which are recognised by the scientific community and are taken from highly-specialized International Scientific Internet Portals that allow a continuous and complete updating on every type of topic being dealt with.

The IPMA extensive operational network ensures unexceptionable and dynamic results, thanks to the **Service provided by the Scientific and Administrative Secretary** which is able to coordinate the contributions of all doctors from all over the country.



Our methodology and an innovative approach have allowed us to get from the Companies the “second opinion” revision of medical-legal advice already carried out by other appointed doctors.

The work process

For every assignment we receive, we entrust professional Advisers with the case evaluation; they are selected according to the unique and complex nature of the case at issue, by excluding any incompatible profiles.

The relationship being established between IPMA and the Adviser is ruled by ad hoc contracts, and every expert report is supervised by the Institute Scientific Director who checks and coordinates all the contributions.

The Adviser will then draw up a report comprising the analysis of the patient previous state of health, of the medical, clinical, instrumental and therapeutic records which are useful, in relation to what already exists, for the fact at issue, by providing the deplored symptoms and an accurate, objective exam of the event. In particular, the whole clinical case of the pathology requiring health treatment will be pieced together, as well as the identification of any medical complications, describing the final outcome of the disease process, with a precise diagnostic and prognostic definition of the permanent damage.

In the final report, IPMA will highlight the official literature guidelines on the specific topic at issue, as well as the latest case-law rulings, by providing the Client with an evaluation which is both pro veritate and strategic.



The final result will be a report allowing to tackle the judicial stage with a scientifically suitable approach.

IPMA figures

We are the trustees of important Insurance Companies for which we have managed **over 600 cases over the last year, all of them in the Facility Professional Liability or "Single Doctor" field, as well as in the Criminal field.**

We work together with more than **200 doctors** all over Italy, between Forensic Scientists and Specialists of every branch, coming from Research and Healthcare Scientific Institutes and other Institutes operating within the national healthcare (IRCCS, Scientific Institutes for Research, Hospitalization and Health Care) among the most important ones nationwide, such as San Raffaele Hospital in Milan, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart or Catholic University in Rome, SS. Annunziata General Hospital in Chieti, National Cancer Institute of Milan and Rizzoli Orthopaedics Institute.

List of services

The Expert Institute of Associated Doctors - IPMA provides nationwide:

- **The drawing up of medical-legal and specialist reports**
 - in the field of Medical Professional Liability, with the definition of a defence strategy
 - for the management of extensive damage deriving from Civil Liability
- **Medical-legal assistance for in-court and out-of-court proceedings** by ensuring assistance for ATP (Preliminary Technical Expert's Report) and CTU



(Court-appointed Expert's Report) all over the national territory, both by the single forensic scientist, if necessary, and by the whole experts' team

- **Legal assistance** in the field of Medical professional liability and extensive damage deriving from Civil Liability, both in- and out-of-court. We ensure experience, expertise and professionalism by making available our legal team in order to provide specialized assistance to leading Italian and foreign insurance and reinsurance companies, as well as broker and agent societies. In particular, we support medical personnel and hospitals in cases of malpractice claimed by the patients, by providing assistance and defence, both at a civil and criminal level
- **Technical defence** in criminal proceedings in the field of Medical professional liability
- **Assistance and advice for Risk Management activity** to healthcare facilities, in order to support, develop and improve the actions carried out by the personnel, with the aim to ensure the Tools and Methodologies for identifying and managing one's own risk, through the personnel training, the carrying out of update initiatives and the assistance in the direct management of risk

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