

Law Centre NI: Annual Social Security Law and Practice Conference 2026

10th March 2026
St Comgalls – Ionad Eileen Howell

Time	Activity
09:30 – 10:00	Registration – Tea and coffee on arrival
10:00 – 10:10	Welcome & Conference opening by Julie Wilkinson (Interim CEO, Law Centre NI)
10:10 – 10:30	Legal and Policy context setting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Owen McCloskey (Head of Social Security, Law Centre NI) and Sarah Corrigan (Head of Legal Services and Engagement, Law Centre NI)
10:30 – 12:30	Adviser Network Meeting LIVE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benefit changes – April 2026 and beyond Current Trends and how to respond The Health journey Capital and Fraud – what’s ahead CA Overpayments – where next Case Law developments Peer to Peer discussion <p>(includes a break with tea and coffee)</p>
12:30 – 1:15	Lunch
1:15 – 2:45	Practitioner Workshops (choice of 2 – 45 mins each) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Maladministration and complaints Masterclass (Social Security Team, Law Centre NI) Migrant destitution: how immigration law restrictions contribute to financial hardship for migrants (Migration Justice Project, Law Centre NI) Tips for successful Tribunal Representation Masterclass (Social Security Team, Law Centre NI) Tackling cliff edges through collective action (Cliff Edge Coalition)
2:45 – 3:00	Final Remarks & Close