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# Introduction

Welcome to the fourth edition of Kennedys' periodical payment guide.

Periodical payment orders (PPOs) are no longer a mode of settlement just in high-value National Health Service (NHS) clinical negligence claims. This form of award is invariably 'on the table' in most catastrophic personal injury claims. While PPOs may present difficulties for some defendants, there is no doubt they can be good news for the victim.

With PPOs gaining in popularity, this guide examines the legal framework governing this form of award and recent developments in PPO jurisprudence.



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