Mr. David Johnson : Professional Expertise

During his medical school training he undertook a student elective period spent with Dr. James Glic in the department of Knee Surgery and Sports Medicine in the University of California San Francisco. Further appointments in Manchester, Bristol and Oxford followed during which time a particular interest was developed in Knee Surgery and Joint Arthroplasty. Which resulted in numerous research publications. Numerous of these were in the area of prosthetic infection, antibiotic prophylaxis and rehabilitation. A research scholarship sponsored by Glaxo resulted in an MD thesis from the University of Manchester entitled "Infection and Wound Healing Following Total Knee Arthroplasty". Following the trauma and orthopaedics training at the Bristol Royal Infirmary the Certificate of Higher Surgical Training and the FRCS9ORTH) was obtained.

Mr Johnson is qualified and registered as a specialist in Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery. He specialises in Orthopaedic Surgery, joint replacement, knee surgery and sports injuries and infection in Orthopaedics. He has reported many articles on Orthopaedic Research in national and international journals over many years. He undertook an MD Thesis in Knee Surgery at the University of Manchester 1990. He spent an elective period in Australia in 1990. Time was spent in the clinical management of Knee Surgery, Sports Medicine and soft tissue musculo-skeletal injuries, research and audit projects were also undertaken in these centres. Time was also spent training in the regional major trauma centre and head injury centre in Melbourne.

Mr Johnson's reputation and publications has resulted in some national and international recognition for this research, international liaison on various research projects, and to being invited to be the first British trained travelling fellow on the European Society of Knee Surgery and Sports Medicine - American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine travelling fellowship exchange. Uniquely this fellowship resulted in being awarded an Honorary Fellowship of the American Society for Sports Medicine. He has also been recognised as a designated "Specialist trainer" by the International Society of Arthroscopy, Knee Surgery and Orthopaedic Sports Medicine. Various subsequent invitations, lectures and presentations have also followed. This included an invitation from Professor R. Williams of the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York to co-edit a commissioned text book by the Oxford University Press, on the Controversies in Surgery of the Knee which is to be published in July 2004.

Mr Johnson is one of only two Europeans to be appointed to the Editorial Board of the American Journal of Orthopaedic Sports Injuries. He has on many occasions been asked to undertake teaching or lecturing activities nationally and internationally. He has been an elected professional representative to the national council and Practice Committee of the Hospital Consultants and Specialists Association, and on the Committee of the British Medical Association and represented colleagues locally and nationally through this position.

Mr Johnson has 25 years of medico-legal and medical negligence reporting, has appeared in court on occasions. He has also undertaken fitness to practice reports on behalf of the General medical Counsel. His work involves equally defence and claimant work and joint reports in medical negligence work and for the claimant and defendant in medical negligence work. Mr Johnson has also worked for the NHS Health Care Commission as a Specialist Opinion in complaints review. He has also been appointed by a major Multinational Company to review negligence claims in respect to resurfacing hip implants. Mr Johnson acts for catastrophic injury cases, medical negligence and especially in respect of infection following joint replacement.

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