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# CURRICULUM VITAE
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**Professional Summary**

I am a Consultant in Adult Pain Medicine (18+) at Gloucestershire Hospitals since July 2017**,** specialising in:

- Chronic primary pain, including complex regional pain syndrome (CRPS) and fibromyalgia.
- Chronic post-surgical and post-traumatic pain.
- Chronic Abdominal/Pelvic Pain

I am also a Consultant in Anaesthesia at The Royal Orthopaedic Hospital Birmingham, since 2014.

**My qualifications are:**

- MBBS (London, 1996).
- Fellow of the Royal College of Anaesthetists (FRCA), London (2007).
- Fellow of the Faculty of Pain Medicine (FFPMRCA), London (2011).
- Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (FRCP), London (2015)
- GMC registered with licence to practice, on Specialist Register, GMC number 4325394

**Clinical Interests and Expertise:** Chronic primary pain, including complex regional pain syndrome (CRPS) and fibromyalgia.

- Chronic post-surgical and post-traumatic pain.
- Chronic cervical and lumbar spine pain, including pain following trauma and surgery.
- Chronic Abdominal & Pelvic Pain
- Chronic secondary pain conditions including chronic secondary musculoskeletal pain.
- Interventional pain therapies.
- Regional Anaesthesia.

**Medicolegal Practice:**

I provide specialist Pain Management medical reports and expert evidence for the courts in personal injury and clinical negligence claims (including liability).

My consulting rooms for medicolegal examinations are:

- **Nuffield Hospital, Hatherley Lane, Cheltenham. GL51 6SY.**

**Courtroom experience:**

I have provided oral expert evidence in court

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**Current Positions:**

**NHS: Consultant in Pain Medicine, Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust**
Consultant in Pain Medicine July 2017 to present.
Consultant in Anaesthetics, The Royal Orthopaedic Hospital, Birmingham since January 2014.

**NHS:**
I have previously held Consultant Posts at University Hospitals Birmingham, where I ran a Complex Pelvic Pain Service within a Pelvic Floor MDT. I also worked in the Endometriosis Service at Birmingham Women's and Children's Hospital. During my time at UHB, I also assessed and managed complex pain in service men and women injured in conflicts around the globe.

Prior to that, I worked in the National Pelvic Pain Referral Service at University College Hospitals, London, where I developed an interest in Chronic Pelvic and Abdominal Pain. I was also able to work with Expert Patient Groups like the Pelvic Pain Support Network.

I have taught on courses about Pelvic Pain and addressed the British Pain Society on Pelvic Pain topics. I maintain professional contacts with other Doctors, Physiotherapists and Allied Health Professionals involved in caring for patients with Chronic Pain.

As a Pain Consultant in Gloucestershire, I maintain an interest in Chronic Pelvic Pain and contribute to the Pelvic Floor MDT. I have worked in Pelvic Pain Services for over a decade and have extensive experience in managing patients with pain after mesh surgery.

I maintain an interest in other complex pain syndromes including Chronic Post-Surgical Pain, Chronic Widespread Pain (including Fibromyalgia) and Neuropathic Pain Syndromes.

I am a member of the Abdominopelvic Pain Special Interest Group of the International Association for the Study of Pain (IASP). I am a regional lead for developing Pain Education for the Royal College of Anaesthetists and have held the role of Regional Advisor in Pain Medicine for the West Midlands.

In anaesthesia, I maintain an interest in Regional Anaesthesia. I am an examiner for the FRCA Examination at the Royal College of Anaesthetists and am interested in maintenance of professional standards in anaesthesia.

**Private Practice: Cheltenham Pain Clinic**
I see patients with a range of pain presentations at the Nuffield Hospital in Cheltenham.

**Other roles:**
Prior to becoming an examiner for the FRCA diploma, I was a College Tutor at The Royal Orthopaedic Hospital, Birmingham and was briefly the Regional Adviser for Pain Medicine in the West Midlands. I have also delivered Pain training to undergraduates at the University of Birmingham, through the Faculty of Pain Medicine's Essential Pain Management programme.

**Expert Witness Qualifications:**
Excellence in Written Evidence (Bond Solon) 2019

**Expert Witness Training:**
My training is also supported by my regular participation in annual medicolegal conferences, quarterly specialist governance meetings, and peer reviews

**Presentations to medical and legal audiences:**
As well as teaching undergraduates and postgraduate trainees in anaesthesia and pain management, I have also delivered lectures to National meetings including:

British Pain Society, Harrogate 2016; (Pelvic Pain)

Joint Meeting of the UK Continence Society and The Pelvic Floor Society, Telford, 2018; (Dyspareunia)

RCOA Updates, Birmingham 2021; (Chronic Post-Surgical Pain)

British Society of Orthopaedic Anaesthesia, Loughborough, 2022; (Post-Arthroplasty Pain)

UK Continence Society, Cheltenham, 2024; (What does Pain Clinic Do?)