Mr. Vipul R Patel, MS(Orth), FRCS, FRCS(Orth) Consultant Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgeon

I qualified with the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) degree from Gujarat University (India) in 1986. I completed a residency in Trauma and Orthopaedics leading to the Master of Surgery (Orthopaedics) degree from Gujarat University in 1988. I became a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England (FRCS) in 1991. I completed a higher surgical training programme in England and was awarded the Intercollegiate Fellowship - FRCS (Trauma and Orthopaedics) in 1998 and the Certificate of Completion of Specialist Training (CCST) in 1999.

I was first appointed as Consultant Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgeon in the UK in December 1999. I have been in my present post as Consultant Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgeon at Epsom and St Helier University Hospitals NHS Trust since April 2001. From February 2008 until April 2012, I was Clinical Lead for Trauma and Orthopaedics in my hospital. Currently, I am Clinical Quality Lead for Surgery in my Trust, a responsibility which has provided experience in comprehensive investigations into never events and serious incidents. I am Regional Clinical Co-ordinator for the National joint Registry and an assessor for the Royal College of Surgeons.

I trained as an Orthopaedic Surgeon with a special interest in shoulder, elbow and knee surgery. I have actively participated in the management of Trauma, and am on-call as consultant for general orthopaedic trauma. Since 2008, I have provided a specialist shoulder, elbow and upper limb service, which includes dealing with both elective and trauma cases. I teach undergraduate students and supervise the training of postgraduate doctors.

I am a qualified ATLS instructor and a member of the AO trauma faculty. I conduct and teach on courses relating to Trauma, Shoulder and Elbow surgery. I have numerous publications to my name in peer-reviewed journals and have presented frequently at National and International meetings.

I am a member of the British Orthopaedic Association (BOA), the British Elbow and Shoulder Society (BESS), the British Trauma Society (BTS) and am an International Affiliate member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS).

I have been in medicolegal practice since 1997 and offer reports relating to personal injury litigation as well as clinical negligence. I am familiar with CPR 35 and the Woolf reforms.

Medicolegal and investigation training:

29 Aug 2018	Human Factors training
26 Jan 2016	Root Cause Analysis, Epsom.
26 June 2015	"Hot-tubbing in Court" – Evolution of expert evidence in Court, BESS, Sheffield.
21 Jan 2015	Medico-legal Expert Witness Course - Clinical Negligence, London
13 Sep 2014	Medico-legal reform and the rising cost of litigation, BOA Brighton.
18 Sep 2013	Medico-legal Expert Witness Course- Personal injury, London.

A full copy of my CV is available on request.

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