

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

I have over 25 years' experience as Consultant Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgeon in the UK having first been appointed to a substantive post 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. I have held the following positions of responsibility:

Jan 2020 – May 2025	Medical Director, South West London Elective Orthopaedic Centre
June 2023 – present	External Assessor, GIRFT Hub accreditation programme
June 2019 – present	Surgeon member, National Joint Registry Surgical performance committee.
June 2020 – March 2024	Joint Clinical Lead, SWL Trauma, Orthopaedic and MSK Network
Apr 2016 - Dec 2019	Clinical Quality Lead for Surgery, Critical Care and Anaesthesia
Feb 2008 - Apr 2012	Clinical Lead for Trauma and Orthopaedics

I qualified with the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) degree 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 UK Certificate of Completion of Specialist Training (CCST) in 1999.

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 served 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, including a post-CCT fellow.

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), an International Affiliate member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS) and the Arthroscopy Association of North America (AANA).

I have been in medicolegal practice since 1997 and offer reports relating to personal injury litigation as well as clinical negligence in my fields of expertise viz shoulder, elbow and related trauma. I am familiar with CPR 35 and the Woolf reforms. I have completed a Diploma in Clinical Risk and Claims management with grade A.

Medicolegal training:

18 Sep 2025	Medicolegal considerations in Sports, BOA Congress, Liverpool.
2019 -2020	Diploma in Clinical risk and claims management (Capsticks)
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 Congress, 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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