

# Orthopaedic Trainees: Overview of RHSC attachment

Welcome to the Royal Hospital for Sick Children Orthopaedic Unit. We hope you will find your time with us both enjoyable and instructive. In order to get as much as possible out of your time here we want you to not just observe but be fully involved in patient care. This means attending as many ward rounds, clinics and theatre sessions as you can. We have developed over the years an introductory pack of useful information for you. It contains a timetable of consultant commitments.

An important part of your duties is supervision of the SHO and JHO to ensure that they achieve a high standard of note writing and that they and patient notes with X-rays are available for the main consultant ward rounds.

You must remember that commitment to inpatients and outpatients, elective and emergency is paramount. You are expected to be flexible and to ensure that cover for clinics and receiving takes priority over simply viewing or passively assisting in theatre. In addition to the monthly on-call rota, a weekly plan to cover commitments is prepared by the trainee responsible for this administration. You must liaise closely with your fellow trainees, particularly during holiday absences.

## Receiving:

**So there is no misunderstanding when you are listed for receiving duty you must be in the hospital or immediately available from nearby.** Remember that the staff beneath you consists of rotating JHOs or SHOs who are not experienced and require a lot of advice, supervision and instruction. Very little treatment can be left to the JHO/SHO. A working bleep **must** be carried both when receiving as well as when in the hospital not receiving so that you can be easily contacted.

Should duties take you elsewhere, e.g. to a clinical meeting, make sure the switchboard and your junior staff are **fully informed** of your whereabouts. You should not leave RHSC when on call to visit children referred from other hospitals - urgent cases should be transferred here while non-urgent cases can be given an OP appointment for an appropriate time. Close liaison between trainees is required so that if you are to be away from the hospital for a period, one of your colleagues will cover your absence and carry your bleep. Any agreed changes in receiving duty should be published in advance if possible or communicated to A&E, the switchboard, JHO/SHO and wards if at unavoidable short notice.

Most Children's fractures occur in the evening so it is necessary to be in the hospital until late evening to provide advice and treatment. This means that you are expected to be here till 10 or 11 pm in the summer, and till 8 pm in the winter. At weekends you may be available from home so long as this is within a reasonable distance (15 min.). You have a room provided with easy chairs and library facilities for use and comfort in RHSC. Please try to keep it tidy and make sure that all books and x-rays are returned after use.

To help your training and because of the level of experience of Casualty Officers you need to see all children referred to you for treatment or advice. Simply arranging a review at the next fracture clinic is **not** acceptable management.

There are six Consultants in the unit. Below is a short resume about each.

## Neil I L Wilson FRCS

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### Summary of qualifications

B.Sc. (Hons.) 1975; M.B., Ch.B.1977; F.R.C.S. 1981; Dip. Biomech. 1989

### Previously

Registrar in Orthopaedic Surgery. Western Infirmary & University of Glasgow. 1983 – 1987  
Senior Registrar in Orthopaedic Surgery. Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow. 1987 – 1990.

### Presently

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon Royal Hospital for Sick Children and Western Infirmary, Glasgow. 1991. Full time paediatric practise 2005.

### Fellowships

Geneva 1989, Toronto 1990-91

### Published work

Tumour immunology, physiotherapy and postoperative complications, infection prevention, long bone fracture management, septic arthritis, elbow fractures, gangrene in children, intra-medullary forearm fracture fixation, simple paediatric orthopaedic conditions, epidemiology of slipped capital femoral epiphysis, childhood discitis, ultrasound and DDH.

### Essence of practice

General paediatric orthopaedic practise and trauma with teaching interest.

## Roderick Duncan FRCS

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### Summary of qualifications

M.B., Ch.B.1986; F.R.C.S. Ed.(Orth) 1996

### Previously

Basic surgical and orthopaedic training in North East of England.  
Specialty Fellowship in London with John Fixsen (Great Ormond Street) and Tony Catterall (Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital).

### Presently

Consultant Paediatric Orthopaedic Surgeon Royal Hospital for Sick Children 1997.  
Educational supervisor for PRHO. Trainer for orthopaedic SpRs. Medical Student supervisor.  
Member Postgraduate Education Committee for Orthopaedics. Teach on RCPS basic skills course. Examiner for intercollegiate MRCS. Member Scottish Colleges Committee for Children's Surgical Services.

### Fellowships

Great Ormond Street & Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, London 1996-7

### Published work

Management of open tibial fractures, supracondylar fractures, congenital vertical talus, ultrasound and DDH. Orthopaedic Section Practical Paediatric Problems.

### Essence of practice

Full-time paediatric orthopaedic practice. Bone tumour service together with Western Infirmary and oncology department at Yorkhill to provide a paediatric musculoskeletal oncology service. Other interests: metabolic bone disease, complex foot problems.

## Heather Read FRCS

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### Summary of qualifications

BSc Med Sci.1987, MBChB 1991, FRCSEd (tr & Orth) 2000

### Previously

Specialist Registrar SE Scotland Rotation Edinburgh 1995-2002

### Presently

Consultant Paediatric Orthopaedic Surgeon Yorkhill Hospital, Glasgow. Appointed August 2002.

### Fellowships

Paediatric Orthopaedic Fellowship 2000-2001: Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital.

### Published work

Gait analysis Edinburgh Visual gait score, Avascular necrosis in DDH , Intramedullary tibial nailing, Orthopaedic aspects of meningococcal sepsis.

### Essence of practice

Elective DDH, CTEV, LLD management and trauma.

Sub-Speciality Interests: Cerebral Palsy, Seating, Gait Analysis.

## David J Rowland FRCS

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### Summary of qualifications

MB, BChir 1995, FRCS (Orth) 2004

### Previously

Basic Surgical Training South West Thames

SpR Training Leeds Rotation

Fellowships in Children's Orthopaedics & Limb Reconstruction at Sheffield Children's Hospital

### Presently

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon Royal Hospital for Sick Children appointed 2007

### Essence of practice

General paediatric orthopaedics, neuromuscular abnormalities and limb reconstruction including the use of Ilizarov and Taylor Spatial frames

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### Summary of qualifications

MA DPhil (Oxon) 1994, MB BChir 1996, FRCSEd (Tr & Orth) 2007

### Previously

Basic surgical and orthopaedic training SE Scotland rotation, Edinburgh

### Presently

Consultant Paediatric Orthopaedic Surgeon Yorkhill Hospital, Glasgow. Appointed 2009

### Fellowships

Paediatric Orthopaedic Fellowship (1 year) Starship Hospital, Auckland 2007-2008

ORS-BORS United States Travelling Fellowship 2009

### Published work

Infection – bacterial virulence

Cartilage physiology and repair

Informed Consent

Musculoskeletal physiology

Growthplate structure and function

Book chapters

### Essence of practice

General paediatric orthopaedics and trauma, neuromuscular abnormalities

Adult foot and ankle surgery

Basic science and translational research

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### Summary of qualifications

MB, ChB, 1996; FRCS (Tr&Orth) 2007

### Previously

Basic Surgical Training Glasgow

SpR Training West of Scotland

National Paediatric Orthopaedic Fellowship: Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children, London and Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore (2008-2009)

### Presently

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, RHSC, Yorkhill. Appointed 2009

### Essence of practice

General Paediatric Orthopaedics; hips

Neonatal Brachial Plexus palsy