Clinical Leads Profiles
Bolton NHS Foundation Trust
Clinical Leadership in Bolton NHS Foundation Trust at a glance

This guide provides a profile for the medical directors and each clinical lead at Bolton NHS Foundation Trust. The profiles of the medical directors are followed by those of the clinical leads which are in alphabetical order by division and specialty.

Medical Director
Mr Steve Hodgson

Head of Acute Adult Care Division
Associate Medical Director
Dr Brian Bradley

Clinical Leads
Acute Medicine
Dr Rauf Munshi

Cardiology
Dr Peter Scott

Dermatology
Dr Corinna Mendonca

Diabetes and Endocrinology
Dr Ambar Basu

Elderly Medicine
Dr Arun Kallat

Emergency Department
Dr Damian Bates

Gastroenterology and Endoscopy
Dr George Lipscomb

Palliative Care and Haematology
Dr Barbara Downes

Respiratory Medicine
Dr Saiyyid Raza

Stroke
Dr Gillian Halstead

Head of Elective Care Division
Associate Medical Director
Dr Jeremy Wood

Clinical Leads
Anaesthetics
Dr Wyn Price

Breast Services
Miss Angela Volleamere
Miss Clare Garnsey

Cancer Services and ENT and Audiology
Mr Simon Hargreaves

Critical Care
Dr Dan Nethercott

General Surgery
Mr Joseph Varghese

Laboratory Medicine
Dr Pradeep Subudhi

Ophthalmology
Ms Katherine Smyth

Oral Surgery/OMFS
Mr Ken McAlister

Orthopaedics and Trauma Surgery
Mr Jeremy Jarratt

Pain Services
Dr Ian Waite

Radiology
Dr Rubeena Razzaq

Rheumatology
Dr Sreekanth Vasireddy

Theatres
Dr Susan Moss

Urology
Miss Ling Lee

Head of Family Care Division
Associate Medical Director
Miss Karen Bancroft

Clinical Leads
Acute Paediatrics
Dr Ian Freeman

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services
Dr Mark Bowers

Community Paediatrics
Dr Dan Hindley

Neonatology
Dr Paul Settle

Obstetrics and Gynaecology
Dr Bim Williams

Sexual Health
Dr Emile Morgan

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Steve started as a consultant orthopaedic surgeon with an upper limb interest in Bolton in 1993. He was Clinical Director from 1996-99, Clinical Lead for Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery 2006-08 and Associate Medical Director for Anaesthetics and Surgery, later Elective Care 2008-2013. He took up the role of Medical Director in September 2013. He is a former Council Member for the British Society for Surgery of the Hand and now chairs the Overseas Aid Committee.

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Dr Bharaj has worked as a consultant in general medicine, diabetes, endocrinology and metabolism at Bolton NHS Foundation Trust since September 1998. He has been a clinical lecturer at the University of Manchester and is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians. Dr Bharaj has special interests in cardiovascular disease, diabetes in black and minority ethnic groups, diabetes in young people, insulin pumps and erectile dysfunction. He has also participated in research into models of care in diabetes mellitus.

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Karen has been a consultant obstetrician and gynaecologist at the Royal Bolton Hospital since 1999. She was Clinical Lead for Maternity and Women’s Health Care from 2005 to 2010 and was appointed as Associate Medical Director/Head of Division for the Family Care Division in 2011.

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Dr Wood trained in Manchester, qualifying in 1992, and came to Bolton in 2001 as a consultant in anaesthesia and critical care. His particular interests are the clinical response to the acutely ill deteriorating patient, therapeutic hypothermia after cardiorespiratory arrest and surviving sepsis.

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Dr Scott qualified in 1984, is President of the Bolton Cardiac Support Group and Chairman of the North West Cardiac Sector Board. He has special interests in coronary artery disease, heart failure, heart rhythm problems, hypertension, cardiac valve disease and cardiomyopathy.

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Dr Corinna Mendonca is a consultant dermatologist and came to work at the Trust in 2007. She graduated from the University of Bristol in 2001 and completed her specialist registrar training in Glasgow and Manchester. Dr Mendonca has a special interest in skin cancer and took part in the melanoma lifestyle study. She has also published several articles on psoriasis, hypopigmentation, and hidradenitis suppurativa (HS).

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Dr Basu graduated in 1992 and completed his specialty training in the North West. He has worked in various places such as Salford Royal Hospital, Manchester Royal Infirmary and the Christie Hospital, Manchester before coming to Bolton in 2009. His special interest is in calcium and parathyroid disorders, thyroid disorders, pituitary diseases and renal disease in diabetes.

Dr Basu is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh and London; a member of the Society for Acute Medicine; a member of Diabetes UK and a member of the British Society for Endocrinology.

He is the Royal College Tutor and the Specialty Tutor for Medicine and is also a Royal College Examiner. Dr Basu has been Principal Investigator and Co-investigator in various clinical trials.
Dr Kallat graduated in 1992 from Stanley Medical College, Chennai, India. He trained as a Senior House Officer in North Wales and completed specialist training in the North West in 2004. He was appointed as a Consultant in Elderly/General Medicine at the Royal Bolton Hospital in 2004 and became the Clinical Lead in Elderly Medicine in 2013. His sub specialty interests include acute medicine and veno thrombo embolism (VTE).

Dr Kallat established the Acute Frailty Unit in March 2014 by working with colleagues from management and he developed the nurse managed and consultant-led deep vein thrombosis (DVT) clinic that has received very good patient feedback. He secured IVS imaging for the DVT clinic service to improve diagnostics and patient safety and is part of the VTE team that enabled the Trust to achieve National VTE Exemplar status in June 2014, the first in the North West. Dr Kallat is a member of the Hospital Thrombosis Committee and was involved in setting up a live hospital VTE database that produces quarterly Hospital Associated Thrombosis figures. The VTE team participated in the PREFER VTE Observational European Study. He is also the Trust’s Clinical Lead for Central Nervous System Tumours.

Dr Lipscomb graduated in 1986. His special interests are endoscopy and bowel cancer screening and he researched into non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs gastropathy at Manchester. He came to Bolton in 1999.

Dr Downes has worked in Bolton for 20 years, firstly as Medical Director of Bolton Hospice, then in addition a few years later as Consultant in Palliative Medicine. Over the years she has helped develop a comprehensive, integrated, Palliative and End of Life service across Bolton, working with patients and colleagues in the hospital, community and hospice. In addition to clinical work, she enjoys teaching, training, and service development.
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Dr Raza gained an MBBS in Pakistan at the Punjab University. He then carried out his postgraduate medical training in Pakistan and the UK. He passed the MRCP (UK) examination in 1986 and then carried out research in the Occupational Lung Disease Unit, Wythenshawe Hospital and submitted his thesis for award of MSc from Manchester University. Higher medical training was carried out in Respiratory Medicine Units in the Northwest. Dr Raza took up his consultant post at Bolton NHS Foundation Trust in 2002. Subsequently he was awarded Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians of London (FRCP). He is a professional member of the British Medical Association, the British Thoracic Society and the Medical Defence Union.

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Dr Halstead graduated from Dundee University in 1986 and completed her specialty training in the North West. She was appointed as a consultant physician in general and geriatric medicine at the Royal Bolton Hospital in January 2000. One of her specialist interests is in stroke medicine and she became Lead Clinician for Stroke in 2001. Dr Halstead was then the clinical lead for older people and stroke from 2005 to 2011 and the clinical lead for stroke from 2011. She also has an interest in medical education and training, particularly for specialist registrars in geriatric medicine. She was actively involved in the development of the MSc in geriatric medicine at Salford University and was an honorary lecturer there from 2001 to 2010.
Dr Price moved to Bolton in 2000 and has a special interest in paediatric anaesthesia and simulation training.

Miss Volleamere obtained a Biological Sciences with honours degree from the University of Manchester in 1995 and then went on to complete her medical degree at the University of Glasgow Medical School in 2000. She carried out her higher surgical training in hospitals across the North West, and in 2014 completed a National Reconstructive Cosmetic Surgery Fellowship at St James University Hospital, Leeds, specialising in oncoplastic, reconstructive and aesthetic breast surgery.

Miss Volleamere is a professional member of the Medical Defence Union, the Association of Breast Surgeons and a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Glasgow. She has special interests in breast cancer care, diagnosis and surgery, breast reconstruction using latissimus dorsi flap (back muscle), implant based reconstructions, lipomodelling and symmetrising surgery.

Miss Garnsey studied for a MBChB at the University of Edinburgh and then completed her basic surgical training in Scotland and Manchester from 2002 to 2007. She did her higher surgical training from 2007 to 2012 within the North Western Deanery and then gained a fellowship in Oncoplastic Breast Surgery at the Royal Marsden Hospital where she worked in 2013.

Miss Garnsey was appointed as a consultant oncoplastic breast surgeon at the Royal Bolton Hospital in October 2013. She is a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Glasgow and a member of the Association of Breast Surgeons. Miss Garnsey’s special interests are the diagnosis and surgical treatment of symptomatic and screen-detected breast cancer including oncoplastic techniques, therapeutic mammoplasty, and breast reconstruction.

Mr Hargreaves graduated from the University of Birmingham in 1988 having intercalated in Physiology; graduating in 1985, then Anatomy demonstrated in Manchester before proceeding to the Stoke on Trent SHO training programme. He continued his SHO training in ENT at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham before moving to Manchester in 1994 as a Registrar at the Manchester Royal Infirmary.

Mr Hargreaves continued his training on the northwest regional training programme which culminated in a post-CCT Fellowship in Surgical Otology and Cochlear Implantology with Professor Bill Gibson at the University of Sydney, Australia prior to commencing his role here in Bolton.

He has been a consultant ENT surgeon at the Royal Bolton Hospital since October 2000 and has been the Head and Neck Lead since 2004. He has also been secretary of the Bolton Medical Society for nearly 12 years now.
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Mr Harris studied medicine at Manchester University and completed basic surgical training in the North West. He spent two years performing research work in Richmond, Virginia, USA and has published this work amongst several other articles. He completed his specialist training in the North West before being appointed as a consultant in Bolton in 2003.

Mr Harris performs the full spectrum of general surgery (minor operations, hernia surgery, gallbladder surgery etc.). His special interest lies in colorectal surgery which encompasses the benign, such as haemorrhoid procedures, to major bowel resections for malignancy. He has introduced laparoscopic (keyhole) bowel surgery to Bolton and can now offer this option to many patients.

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Ms Smyth qualified in Liverpool in 1989. She has worked at Aintree Hospital, St Paul’s Eye Unit and Manchester Royal Eye Hospital and joined Bolton NHS Foundation Trust in 2000. Her special interests include: oculomotility, neuroophthalmology, provision of children’s eye care in Bolton and cataract surgery.

Dr Nethercott qualified in Cardiff and worked in South Wales and Brisbane prior to registrar training in the North West. He is dually accredited in Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine and joined Bolton as a consultant in 2011, becoming Clinical Lead for Critical Care in 2013.

Dr Subudhi worked as a Consultant Microbiologist & Clinical Lead at Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust from May 2005 to July 2013 and then at Continental Hospitals, Hyderabad, India from August 2013 to June 2014. He came to work at Bolton NHS FT in August 2014. Dr Subudhi is a professional member of the: Royal College of Pathologists, UK British Infection Association British Society of Antimicrobial Chemotherapy Healthcare Infection Society. Dr Subudhi has special interests in infections in critical care, surgical infections, antimicrobial stewardship, diabetic foot infections, outpatient parenteral antibiotic therapy (OPAT) and infection prevention and control.
Mr Ken McAlister is a consultant oral and facial plastic surgeon and came to work at Bolton in March 2008. He studied Dentistry and Medicine in Glasgow and is a member of several professional organisations. Mr McAlister has special interests in cosmetic facial surgery, head and neck cancer, and skin cancer, and his research has involved head and neck cancer trials.

Prior to moving to Bolton in 2005, Mr Jeremy Jarratt had studied at St Andrews University and the University of Manchester qualifying in 1993. He was awarded his surgical specialist certificate in Trauma and Orthopaedics in 2005. Mr Jarratt has a special interest in surgery of the lower limb and in particular knee surgery. He also has a keen interest in sports injuries to the knee, performing arthroscopic (keyhole) surgery, knee ligament reconstruction; including ACL reconstruction and complex ligament reconstructions. During his last year of training he undertook a fellowship in knee surgery and travelled to the United States to spend time with several world renowned surgeons in Boston and Indianapolis. He regularly teaches on knee replacement and trauma surgery courses, as well as being actively involved in the training of junior surgeons within the NHS.

Dr Ian Waite joined Bolton NHS Foundation Trust as a consultant anaesthetist in 1999, having studied at Manchester University and worked for the North West Region Anaesthetic Registrar Rotation. He is a member of the British Medical Association, Association of Anaesthetists, the British Pain Society and Manchester Medical Society. Dr Waite has special interests in back pain, headache and pain management programmes.

Dr Rubeena Razzaq has a special interest in general radiology and intervention radiology.
Dr Vasireddy trained in the Manchester Rheumatology Rotation and spent two years out of the rotation as a clinical research fellow in osteoporosis at the University of Sheffield. He started in Bolton as a consultant rheumatologist in 2005. He has a subspecialist interest in osteoporosis/metabolic bone disorders (metabolic bone clinic). Other interests include inflammatory arthritis and adolescent/young adult rheumatology.

Dr Moss studied at Dundee University obtaining a MB ChB and a FRCA. She has previously worked around the North West region before coming to work at Bolton NHS Foundation Trust in December 2008. She is a member of RCOA, OAA and AAGBI.

Miss Lee is a consultant urologist and clinical lead for Urology. She started as a consultant in Bolton in October 2000. In addition to core urology, her interests are in female urology and neurology. She is keen on collaborative work and has strong links with the Continence Team in the community and with her uro-gynaecology colleagues. Her aim is that Bolton Urology department continues to provide a high-standard and patient-centred service. She is keen to hear from other services and departments to improve on urology provisions.
Dr Freeman has an MBChB, a BSc and an MRCPCH and has previously worked in Greater Manchester before coming to work at Bolton NHS Foundation Trust in November 2011.

He is a member of the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health and has a special interest in safeguarding.

Dr Bowers is a consultant clinical psychologist and has previously worked in Warwick, Nuneaton, Birmingham, Dudley and Lancaster. He came to work at Bolton NHS Foundation Trust in April 2009.

Dr Bowers is an Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society, a member of the Chartered Clinical Psychologist BPS and an HCPC Registered Practitioner Psychologist. He has special interests in trauma, care of looked after children and forensic mental health.

Dr Hindley qualified in London and worked as an acute paediatrician in Bury for ten years before moving to Bolton in 2004. His interests include childhood epilepsy and neurodisability, and developing community paediatric services.

Dr Settle qualified in Manchester in 1992 and became a consultant at Salford in 2006. He came to Bolton in November 2011 as part of the Making It Better programme which has seen the Royal Bolton Hospital become a centre for maternity and children's services covering Bolton, Bury and Salford.
Dr Williams has previously worked at hospitals across the North West and Liverpool Women's Hospital as a specialist registrar and research fellow. She came to work at Bolton NHS Foundation Trust in September 2006 and is a Honorary Senior Lecturer at Manchester University.

Her special interests are female urinary incontinence and pelvic organ prolapse.

She works on research into obstetric anal sphincter trauma.

Numerous peer reviewed publications on perineal trauma and postpartum anal sphincter injury. Co author RCOG Green Top Guideline on third and fourth degree perineal trauma.

Dr Morgan is a consultant physician and clinical director of HIV, sexual and reproductive health services at Bolton, Ashton, Leigh and Wigan.

He has an MSc and a PhD from Manchester University and is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, London. He was previously a lecturer in the medicine of AIDS at Manchester University and Manchester Royal Infirmary. Dr Morgan has been a consultant since 1990 at Bradford Royal and joined the Royal Bolton Hospital in 2000. Apart from HIV, he has special interests in sexual dysfunction and genital dermatoses.
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