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## MEDICOLEGAL EXPERIENCE

I have been asked to review clinical practice and write reports about the practice of peers and departments. I have been writing medical reports for over 25 years. I have written over 300 reports, mainly on clinical negligence matters, but also in relation to personal injury. I have written reports for Solicitors, Trusts, the Medical Protection Society, Courts and the GMC. I have appeared at the GMC and in the courts as an expert witness.

Some of my areas of expertise.

Spina Bifida

Kidney conditions

**Ureter conditions** 

Bladder conditions

**Urethral** conditions

Genital conditions

Neuropathic Bladder

Bladder dysfunction

Bladder reconstruction

Bladder Exstrophy

Urinary incontinence

Vesico-ureteric reflux

**Urethral** conditions

Genital conditions

Hypospadias

Foreskin conditions

Circumcision

Undescended testes

Torsion of the testis

Hernia and Hydrocele

# Résumé

I underwent a recognised training programme in the United Kingdom and the Republic of South Africa. I was appointed as Consultant Paediatric Surgeon with a special interest in paediatric urology on 1<sup>st</sup> of October 1988 in the Manchester Hospitals and was in practice for 31 years until 2019. The major part of my clinical practice was paediatric urology. I continued in clinical practice as visiting Consultant Paediatric Urologist and Surgeon at the Archbishop Mikarios Children's Hospital, Nicosia, Cyprus but this has now been interrupted by Covid.

During my consultant career I have overseen a large clinical practice, both in general paediatric surgery, neonatal surgery and paediatric urology and have published papers in all these fields. During my career I have edited the urology section of the Oxford Textbook of Paediatric Surgery, written 6 book chapters and achieved 60 peer-reviewed publications. I am currently associate editor for the paediatric section of BJUI Knowledge.

I have been Chairman of the British Association of Paediatric Urologists, Chairman of the Paediatric Board of the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh, a member of the Council for the Royal of Surgeons, Edinburgh and a member of the executive committees of the British Association of Paediatric Surgeons and British Association of Paediatric Nephrology. I have been Regional Specialist Adviser for Paediatric Surgery at the Royal College of Surgeons, England. I have been member of the National Training Committee (SAC) in the UK for paediatric surgery between 2006 and 2014. I was a member of the National Examining Board for paediatric surgery between 2007 and 2014, and I was Chairman of the Board from March 2011 until September 2014.

My major clinical interest throughout my clinical career has been urinary tract reconstruction. I was the senior clinician in the Manchester National NCG service for Bladder Exstrophy and Epispadias between 2005 and 2015. My major clinical activity has been in the area of the lower urinary tract, Neuropathic Bladder, Bladder Exstrophy and Hypospadias. During my consultant career I have overseen a large clinical practice, both in general paediatric surgery, neonatal surgery and paediatric urology, but almost exclusively paediatric urology for the last 20 years. The major part of my practice has been in the area of the urinary tract, specifically kidney conditions, bladder exstrophy, bladder dysfunction, neuropathic bladder, bladder

reconstruction, hypospadias and vesico-ureteric reflux. Throughout my consultant career, I provided urological and general surgical services to spina bifida patients. The surgery of children with neuropathic bladder involves complex intra-abdominal surgery, utilising bowel and appendix for bladder augmentation and cutaneous stoma reconstructions. I, with a paediatric nephrology colleague, set up a regional nephrourology multidisciplinary clinic for spina bifida patients in 1991, which is still functioning. I also initiated a Daytime-Wetting Clinic for children in Manchester in 1995, which continues now, nurse led. During my career I have looked after in excess of 3000 children with urinary incontinence. During the period 2005-2015, I was the senior paediatric urologist in Manchester providing services to the spina bifida patient group. Since 1999 my unit and the Great Ormond Street Hospital paediatric urology unit, provided the national service for the management of children with Bladder Exstrophy and related conditions, and I was the senior clinician during the period 2005-2015. As such, I would be regarded as an authority on this group of rare exstrophy conditions and their management.

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Accreditation Paediatric Surgery 1988 RCSEd.

FRCS England 2007

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## PREVIOUS HOSPITAL APPOINTMENT

Consultant Paediatric Urologist and Surgeon 1988 - 2019 Spire and Alexandra Hospitals Manchester.

Consultant Paediatric Urologist 1999 - 2015 Central Manchester and Manchester Children's University Hospitals NHS Trust

## SENIOR HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS

Consultant Paediatric Surgeon with Special Interest in Urology Manchester Children's Hospitals 1988 -1999

Senior Registrar – Paediatric Surgery 1984 - 1988 Royal Hospital for Sick Children Edinburgh Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital, Cape Town, South Africa. (1986-87)

## **MAJOR PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman British Association of Paediatric Urologists 2001-2004.

Organiser BAPU & ESPU Cambridge Paediatric Urology Course 2002, 2003 & 2004

Executive, British Association of Paediatric Surgeons 2001 - 2004

Executive, British Association of Paediatric Nephrology 2001-2005

Joint Colleges Working Party on Cosmetic Surgery 2003 - 2005

SAC Paediatric Surgery 2006 - 2014

Intercollegiate Specialty Board (Paediatric Surgery Board Member 2007 – 2011)

ISB Paediatric Surgery (Chairman 2011 – 14)

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS EDINBURGH

Specialty Advisory Board: Paediatric Surgery 2002 – 2102

Chairman Specialty Advisory Board: Paediatric Surgery 2002 – 2008

Council RCSEd: Paediatric Member: 2002 – 2007

Paediatric Course Co-ordinator 2004 - 2006

# ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS ENGLAND

Regional Specialty Adviser Paediatric Surgery RCS England 2004 - 2009

## **EXAMINER**

Royal College Physicians London 1994-1999

Royal College Paediatrics & Child Health 1999-2004

Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh 1994......

Intercollegiate Board Paediatric Surgery 2002-2017

Hong Kong College of Surgeons 2004......

Sudan Medical College 2012

GMC (PLAB) 2019......

# **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Manchester Childrens Hospitals SHO Training Programme
1990-1991

Training Programme Director Manchester
1993-1995

Chairman BAPS Education Committee
1991-1994

BAPU Cambridge Urology Course Lectures
1994-2008.

BAPU Cambridge Urology Course Chairman
2001-2004

British Council Paediatric Surgery Courses
1989-1997

RCSEd Courses
2000-2013

# **INVITED OVERSEAS VISITS**

 South Africa
 1991

 Greece
 1996

 Qatar
 1997

 Australia
 2002

 Sudan
 2004 2012

 Finland
 2005 - 2012

 Cyprus
 2005 - 2017

 UAE
 2012-2017

#### PEER REVIEWED PUBLISHED PAPERS

#### **Review Articles**

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Ferrara F. Dickson AP. Fishwick J. Vashisht R. Khan T. Cervellione RM.

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Stephens L. Mantovani A. Keene DJ. **Dickson AP**. Khan T. Shabani A. Cervellione RM.

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#### Ranawaka R. Dickson AP.

A child with pelviureteric junction obstruction in a partial quadruplex discoid pelvic kidney

Sri Lanka Journal of Surgery: 2013-(31) 1 issue.

#### Ranawaka R. Dickson AP.

Multiple urethral anomalies: anterior urethral diverticulum, posterior urethral valves, and distal hypospadias.

Journal of Pediatric Surgery. 48(1):e5-8, 2013 Jan.

## Arena S, Dickson AP, and Cervellione RM.

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Journal of Pediatric Surgery. 47(2):380-2, 2012 Feb.

## Goyal A, Fishwick J and Dickson AP

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Cervellione RM. Kyriazis I. Dickson AP.

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#### Corbett HJ. Dickson AP.

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Ververidis M. Dickson AP. Gough DC.

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Bianchi A. Dickson AP. Alizai NK.

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## Chandna S. Bruce J. Dickson A. Gough D.

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#### Bowen J. Wilcox D. Bianchi A. Bruce J. Dickson A.

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#### Soliman S and Dickson A P

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#### Dickson A.

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#### Dickson A

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## **BOOK CHAPTERS**

I am currently editor of the Urology section of the Oxford University Press textbook of paediatric surgery to which I have contributed several chapters.

I am currently editor of the Paediatric section of BJUI Knowledge.

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## 3. Circumcision

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# 4. Common Non-obstructive Urology problems

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## 5. Urinary Tract Trauma

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