



Dr Bret Claxton

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GMC number:	4115250	
Education:	Harrison College	1982-1989
	University of Aberdeen	1989-1994
Qualifications:	MBChB	1994
	FRCA	1999
	MMedSci	2002
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NHS employment:	Bradford Teaching Hospital's NHS Trust	
Medicolegal practice:	Ramsay Yorkshire Clinic, Bradford	

Dr Bret Claxton MBChB FRCA MMedSci FFPMRCA
Consultant in Pain Medicine and Anaesthesia

Professional qualifications: I qualified from Aberdeen University Medical School in 1994. I became a fellow of the Royal College of Anaesthetists in 1999 and completed a Masters Degree in Medical Science in 2002. I was admitted as a Fellow of the Faculty of Pain Medicine in 2014.

NHS Consultant appointments: I was appointed consultant in anaesthesia at Bradford in 2003, and pain management in 2014, and currently deliver eight outpatient clinics and eight theatre-based interventional procedure lists a month. I work within a multidisciplinary pain service with nurse specialists, pain psychologists and specialist pain physiotherapists.

Private practice: I have private practice in Bingley with consulting rooms at The Yorkshire Clinic, Bradford Road, Bingley.

Clinical experience: I have considerable experience in the clinical management of a wide range of chronic pain conditions including back pain, sciatica, whiplash, complex regional pain syndrome (CRPS), and pain after trauma and surgery. I have a particular interest in managing knee pain. I also specialise in neuromodulation, including insertion of Spinal Cord Stimulators for Post Spinal Surgery Persistent Pain Syndromes as outlined within NICE Guidance.

Professional presentations and educational roles: I am an educational supervisor. I clinically supervise advanced pain trainees. I have been a Foundation Training Programme Director, an Associate Postgraduate Dean, an Interim Deputy Postgraduate Dean, and Head of School for Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Medicine, Health Education England, Yorkshire and The Humber.

I am the Lead for Research in Anaesthesia and Pain Medicine at Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

I am the Clinical Lead for Pain Services at Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

Membership of professional bodies:

1. The Royal College of Anaesthetists;
2. The Faculty of Pain Medicine;
3. The British Medical Association;
4. The Medical and Dental Defence Union of Scotland.

Medicolegal expertise and practice: I completed the 'Pain Experts' course and am familiar with, and understand the importance of, the Civil Procedure Rules Part 35. I have received instructions for, and prepared in excess of 80 reports over the last three years. This is at a ratio of 70% Claimant and 30% Defendant.

I hold the Cardiff University Bond Solon (CUBS) Expert Witness Civil Certificate (2021)

Scope of expertise: I am a medical expert in all aspects of adult chronic pain management including presentations such as chronic pain syndromes, complex regional pain syndrome (CRPS), spinal pain and musculoskeletal pain presentations. I have a wealth of experience within anaesthesia and am available for opinions on medical negligence within Adult Anaesthesia, Chronic Pain Management, and Personal Injury.

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