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Manchester University Foundation Trust, Wythenshawe
(2019 - Present)



EXPERT INFORMATION

SPECIALIST AREAS:

- Pleural surgery
- Chest wall trauma
- Diaphragm palsy
- Lung volume reduction

CASES ACCEPTED:

Claimant age: 16+

- Clinical assessments
- Remote assessments
- Home visits
- Prison visits
- Criminal cases
- Screening reports
- Desktop reports
- Family cases*



*Case-by-case



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EXPERT RATIO



CLAIMANT **70%**
DEFENDANT **30%**



PI **65%**
CLIN NEG **35%**



*Annual report from 2025

VENUES:



- Hale Private Clinic, Altrincham, WA15 9NN
- Charterhouse Clinic, London, W1H 2HL
- 72 Rodney Street, Liverpool, L1 9AF

FURTHER INFO:

- Court experience
- Bond Solon trained
- Legal aid (LAA)
- Fixed fee cases*
- NHS contracted
- Personal Injury
- Clinical Negligence:
 - Causation
 - Liability
 - Breach of Duty
 - Condition & Prognosis



*Case-by-case

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MEDICO LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

Clinical negligence relating to:

- General thoracic surgery:
 - VATS lobectomy
 - Wedge resection
 - Lung Volume Reduction Surgery (LVRS)
 - Resection of lung abscess
 - Video-Assisted Thoracoscopic Surgery (VATS)
 - Minimally Invasive Thoracic Surgery (MITS)
 - Emphysema
 - Fibrotic lung disease
 - Pneumonectomy
- Lung cancer surgery:
 - Chest wall tumour resection and reconstruction
 - Delayed diagnosis and prognostic implications
 - Mesothelioma
- Pleural surgery:
 - Empyema and lung/chest cavity infections
 - Chest drain insertion
 - Pneumothorax
 - Failed pleurodesis
 - Trapped lung
 - Pleurectomy
 - Surgery for pleural tumours
 - Management of fibrothorax
 - Pleurodesis
 - Pleural effusion
- Diaphragm surgery:
 - Diaphragm palsy
 - Hernia
 - Resection of diaphragmatic tumours
 - Diaphragm disorders
- Thymic surgery:
 - VATS thymectomy
 - Localised thymoma
 - Thymolipoma resection
- Other:
 - Airway and tracheal procedures
 - Complex and high-risk thoracic surgery
 - Ventilation
 - COVID-19
 - Acute Respiratory Distress (ARDS)
 - Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation (ECMO)
 - Respiratory Tract Infection (RTI)

Personal injury relating to:

- Chest trauma/rib fractures
- Sternal fractures
- Chest wall plating
- Traumatic diaphragm injury
- Long-term implications of chest wall fractures, including their impact on quality of life
- Complications following chest trauma
- Chronic chest wall pain including, costochondritis
- Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)
- Pulmonary Embolism (PE)

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MEDICO LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

Mr Vijay Joshi is a Consultant Thoracic Surgeon and has been an expert witness since 2020. He has completed Bond Solon expert witness training and holds a CUBS certificate in Civil Law. Mr Joshi also holds a post-graduate certificate in medical law and earned an LLB (Honours) from Nottingham Law School, further demonstrating his commitment to his medicolegal work.

He accepts instructions from both claimants and defendants, and can opine on cases relating to personal injury, clinical negligence, causation, condition and prognosis, liability, and breach of duty. Throughout his time as an expert witness, he has covered a variety of different thoracic reports, including, but not limited to, rib and sternal fractures, Respiratory Tract Infections (RTI), fibrotic lung disease, lung cancer surgery, and pleural effusion.

Mr Joshi has particular specialist knowledge in pleural surgery, lung volume reduction, diaphragm palsy, and chest wall trauma, and has completed many reports on these topics. Mr Joshi is well-regarded and is known for his evidence-based, diligent, and unbiased approach to reporting.

Mr Joshi is well-versed in joint expert meetings, criminal cases, single joint expert cases, and regulatory cases, and has experience giving evidence in court. He continues to be available to provide oral evidence in court when required.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

Mr Vijay Joshi is a U.S and U.K trained Thoracic Surgeon at Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust, having been appointed in 2018, with a focus on general thoracic surgery and thoracic oncology.

Mr Joshi's clinical focus is in minimally invasive surgery, as well as general thoracic surgical oncology. He also treats patients who require lung cancer surgery, pleural surgery, thymic surgery, diaphragm palsy and hernia, chest wall tumour resection and reconstruction, lung volume reduction, airway and tracheal procedures and elective and emergency general thoracic surgery.

He earned his medical degree from the University of Liverpool in 2007. His foundation and core surgical training were completed in the North West, where he achieved a Gold Award, followed by cardio-thoracic surgical training in the East Midlands. In 2016, he became a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons (FRCSEd) after completing the speciality board exam in cardiothoracic surgery. Notably, he holds medical licensing for both Canada and the United States.

He further honed his expertise through various specialised fellowships, including a thoracic surgical observership at the University of Toronto, a two-year clinical fellowship in general thoracic and minimally invasive surgery at the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota, USA, and a robotics/minimally invasive fellowship at James Cook University Hospital in the UK.

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Apart from his medical pursuits, he possesses a strong interest in Law and legal studies. He has completed a PgCert in Medical Law with Northumbria University and earned an LLB (Honours) from Nottingham Law School. Within his professional roles, he serves as a tribunal member with the MPTS and holds the position of audit lead for the Thoracic Surgery department. He also presents research at professional conferences and gives talks as an expert in both national and international forums. Alongside this, Mr Joshi spends time mentoring regional and international medical students.

PUBLICATIONS:

Book Chapters:

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