

Elective Surgical Caseload & Post-Covid Recovery

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Friday 19th November 2021

Virtual Conference



Speakers Include:

Tim Goodacre
Vice President
Royal College of Surgeons of England

Andrew Vallance-Owen
Chairman, Private Healthcare Information Network & Former Group Medical Director, BUPA

Dr Kim Russon
Immediate Past President BADS & Consultant Anaesthetist
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“The pandemic has had a significant impact on the delivery of elective care and, as a result, on the lives of many patients who are waiting for treatment. We need to be ambitious and plan to recover towards previous levels of activity and beyond where possible over the next few years.”

NHS England March 2021

“Systems are asked to recover elective activity in a way that takes full advantage of elective high-impact changes and transformation opportunities, and demonstrates learning from other systems”

NHS England March 2021

“The Covid-19 crisis has shone a light on the weakness’s we knew were already there; the ‘Winter Pressures’ we should learn and change. We need to see that elective surgery is protected from being shut down on a regular basis due to capacity issues in other areas of the NHS.”

Bob Handley, President British Orthopaedic Association 2020

“The NHS England waiting list figures, announced yesterday, as expected show a deteriorating situation overall, with elective orthopaedic surgery being the worst affected... We are hearing countless distressing stories of patients awaiting surgery, such as hip and knee replacement, experiencing relentless pain...sympathy is not enough, even before the Covid-19 pandemic, the NHS struggled to keep up with the demands of elective work especially in the winter months. ..We need to support the ways of working which allow the highly effective elective procedures to continue protected as much as is possible from fluctuations in emergencies.”

Bob Handley, President British Orthopaedic Association 2020

‘Elective waiting lists and performance should be managed at system as well as trust level to ensure equal patient access and effective use of facilities’

NHS England and NHS Improvement

Chaired by **John Dade**, Lecturer in Operating Department Practice at the University of Leicester and President of the Association for Perioperative Practice (AfPP), this conference focuses on elective surgical caseload and post recovery. The challenge of current waiting lists for elective procedures is clear, the conference will discuss practical strategies and solutions for meeting demand and ensuring safety post Covid-19 including creating clear accountability for elective recovery and improving productivity. We will discuss new models for delivering increased activity including supporting supporting trusts and clinical teams to work together across Integrated Care Systems (ICSs) to eliminate variation and embed recognised best practice, patient scheduling and prioritisation, optimising theatre utilisation and performance and developing the role of the independent sector.

This conference will enable you to:

- Network with colleagues who are working to drive elective recovery
- Understand the national context and developments including the National Elective Recovery Programme
- Reflect on the challenges in meeting demand during and beyond Covid-19
- Develop effective strategies for patient scheduling and prioritization
- New models for delivering increased activity
- Improve efficiency and productivity
- Increasing Day Surgery
- Developing the role of the independent sector

10.00 Chair's Introduction and Welcome

John Dade Lecturer in Operating Department Practice University of Leicester and President, Association for Perioperative Practice (AfPP)

10.05 Models for delivering increased activity

Bibhas Roy

Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon
Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust

- models to support elective recovery
- reducing unwarranted variation
- supporting trusts and clinical teams to work together across Integrated Care Systems (ICSS) to eliminate variation and embed recognised best practice
- learning from the GIRFT Programme

10.40 Elective Recovery: The Scale of the Challenge ahead

Tim Goodacre

Vice President
Royal College of Surgeons of England

- meeting demand and ensuring safety post Covid-19
- creating clear accountability for elective recovery
- the impact of delays to surgery on patients
- the National Elective Recovery Programme
- improving productivity and supporting teams to understand drivers of the different types of downtime

11.30 Comfort Break and Virtual Networking

11.45 EXTENDED SESSION: An engineer's approach to reducing waiting lists and waiting times Post-Covid

Dr Kate Silvester

National Coach
Kate Silvester Ltd

- basics of flow science
 - littles law
- getting the data right:
 - the Trap for Heffalumps and the Vitals Charts®
- strategy:
 - stabilise the system: Stop the waiting list numbers increasing
 - reduce the waiting list numbers
- how much resource capacity do we need?
- system thinking:
 - 'Balancing the Line': OP, diagnostics and theatres
- prioritisation and due-date order

12.55 Supplier Showcase: Open Medical

The role of technology in managing the post-Covid elective surgical backlog

Michael Shenouda

Medical Director
Open Medical



- the impact Covid-19 has had on elective surgery and the scale of the challenge ahead
- the role tech has played in dealing with these challenges effectively
- how can Trusts maximise theatre capacity and utilisation and how can technology help
- how the use of a streamlined digital pre-operative assessment process ensures that patients are ready for surgery

13.10 Lunch Break, Virtual Networking and Exhibitor Breakout

13.40 Elective Recovery: sustaining the learning from Covid-19

Dr Magda Smith

Chief Medical Officer
Barking Havering and Redbridge NHS Foundation Trust

- implement high impact service models in elective care
- green sites, Covid free/lite sites and pathways
- No Going Back: Our Post Covid Elective Recovery
- future proofing elective surgery for future outbreaks

14.15 Increasing Day Surgery

Dr Kim Russon

Immediate Past President BADS
& Consultant Anaesthetist
The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust

- patient selection and suitability for day case: examining which patients, and surgical groups are suitable for day case
- planning for successful day surgery
- developing your care pathway: what needs to be in place?
- scheduling emergency day surgery procedures
- which procedures in the future will be delivered through day surgery?

14.50 Developing the role of the Independent Sector in Elective Recovery

Andrew Vallance-Owen

Chairman, Private Healthcare Information Network and
Former Group Medical Director, BUPA

- utilising the independent sector to support elective recovery
- controversial issues and solutions
- moving forward

15.25 Supplier Showcase: Flynn Pharma: IV bolus diclofenac that can support a busy day surgery unit

Presenting on behalf of Flynn Pharma Ltd

Dr Anya Medniuk

Consultant in Anaesthesia & Pain Medicine
Acute Pain Service Lead
North Bristol NHS Trust



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- for prescribing information, please visit [here](#). References: 1. Akis SmPC 2. Leeson, 2007. 3. Colucci, 2009. 4. Gan, 2017.

15.35 Comfort Break, Virtual Networking and Exhibitor Breakout

15.55 Moving forward: Prioritising Elective Surgery

Mr Bob Handley

Past President
British Orthopaedic Association

- moving forward: changing culture and ways of working
- ensuring elective surgery is protected from being shut down on a regular basis due to capacity issues in other areas of the NHS

16.30 Optimising theatre utilisation and performance

Mr Perbinder Grewal

General & Vascular Surgeon and Human Factors Trainer

- practical strategies for improving theatre performance
- identifying bottlenecks within the system
- key performance and quality indicators for theatres
- how to use measures to drive and implement change

17.05 Closing Remarks

There will be time after each speaker session for Questions and Answers

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