


## **Richard Cherry FRCS**

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### **Curriculum Vitae**

**Date of Birth:** 3<sup>rd</sup> February 1944

**Qualifications:** 1967 MBBS The London Hospital Medical College  
1972 FRCS (Lond)

**Employment:** 1977 to 1995 Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon at  
Birmingham Heartlands Hospital

1995 until retirement 2007 Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon  
at Coventry and Warwickshire Hospital and Senior Lecturer  
in Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of Warwick.

**Specialty:** Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgery

My acute work involved a regular one-in-eight rota for  
Trauma surgery. My elective commitment was divided between General  
Orthopaedics and a special interest in Upper Limb disorders. I have had many  
years experience in the investigation of patients with various types of Pain  
syndrome affecting the musculoskeletal system.

### **Medico-Legal Experience:**

During the last thirty years I have examined more than 15,000 Claimants and  
have prepared in excess of 20,000 reports. The majority of these have been to  
assist in the valuation of claims for Personal Injury. A smaller number, of the  
order of 700 or so, have been prepared in order to advise concerning questions of  
liability where there has been an allegation of clinical negligence.

Instructions from Claimant's Solicitors have slightly outnumbered those from  
Defendants in a ratio of approximately 60%:40%. In the last few years there has  
been an increasing percentage of Joint Instructions.

I was regularly involved with the University of Warwick and other organisations in  
the running of instructional courses for Lawyers and Doctors working in the field  
of Personal Injury Litigation. I was a member of a working party of Birmingham  
County Court in the development of a Protocol for the Management of Claims  
concerning Allegations of Clinical Negligence. Some features of this found their  
way into the changes in Civil Justice procedures initiated by Lord Woolf.

I have moved my office from Solihull to Coventry where I have joined a group of  
Colleagues in a Medicolegal consortium. We anticipate that this will enable us all  
to improve our service to Instructing solicitors.

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**Waiting List:**

My waiting list for new instructions is around 6 weeks because of priority given to follow-up reports and the unpredictable scheduling of Trials. Short-notice appointments are sometimes possible for the same reason. It is probably best for Instructing solicitors and insurance companies to contact my secretary from time to time to see what is the current position.

If all medical records, images etc. are available at the time of interview it is generally possible for me to submit my report within two working weeks.

It is preferable for those instructing me to obtain Medical notes and images. Where appropriate I will sift these into Core and an Unused Bundles and will return these with the Report. If preferred I will arrange for the secure shredding of any Unused notes.

**Rooms:**

I consult in Birmingham and in Coventry: -

7 Chad Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham.

38 Harborne Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham

Oak House, Harry Weston Road, Binley Business Park, Coventry.

**Hays DX:**

DX 72 17 61

Coventry 15

**Fees:**

My fee for examining a claimant, studying notes etc. and preparing a report is currently £450.00. Special arrangements can be negotiated for deferred payment (one year deferment or end-of-case payment). Preparatory work for Trial is at £200.00 per hour and attendance at Court is £1500.00 per day. For complex and Clinical Negligence cases my fees are £200 per hour. Travel by first class rail; no additional charge for travelling time. No charge for local travel in and around Birmingham.

From 1<sup>st</sup> May 2007 VAT has had to be added to all my fees.