

# Your Guide to Orthopaedic Services at WWL



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# Orthopaedic Services at WWL

We provide Orthopaedic Services across all of our hospital sites at Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh. However, the majority of our Orthopaedic activity takes place at Wrightington Hospital.

Ever since Professor Sir John Charnley pioneered hip replacement surgery in the 1960s, Wrightington Hospital's status as a Centre of Excellence for Orthopaedic Surgery has been defined both by the quality of its work and the strength of its renowned consultants and healthcare teams.

While drawing strength from the past, Wrightington looks to the future, determined to sustain its reputation as a hospital at the leading edge of both practice and research.

Pioneering procedures, technology and research, investment in improving patient care and competitive waiting times are among the many developments shaping the modern day Wrightington Hospital.

Our hospital attracts some of the most highly skilled consultants and healthcare professionals in the region ensuring our patients receive the highest level of patient care and clinical outcomes.



Data produced by the National Joint Registry regularly shows that people who receive treatment at Wrightington are less likely to need revision or further surgery and their joint replacements last longer - which is great news for patients and also offers efficient use of NHS resources.

I hope this leaflet provides all the information you need about our Orthopaedic Services at WWL but if you do need further details please contact one of the team who would be happy to help you further.

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# What We Do

## Foot and Ankle

- Ankle replacement
- Ankle arthrodesis
- Bunion surgery
- Lesser toe surgery

## Shoulder

- Shoulder replacement
- Shoulder arthroscopy
- Rotator cuff repair
- Acromio clavicular decompression

## Elbow

- Golfer's elbow release
- Tennis elbow release
- Cubital tunnel surgery
- Elbow replacement
- Revision elbow replacement

## Hand and Wrist

- Dupuytren's fasciectomy
- Carpal tunnel release
- Trigger finger release
- Hand and wrist joint replacement
- Wrist arthroscopy
- Treatment of brachial plexus and nerve injuries

## Hip

- Total hip replacement
- Direct anterior total hip replacement
- Revision hip replacement
- Hip arthroscopy for labral tears and impingement
- Periacetabular osteotomy

## Knee

- Knee arthroscopy
- Meniscal repair
- Meniscal transplantation
- Osteotomy for malalignment
- Patello femoral replacement
- Uni compartmental knee replacement
- Total knee replacement
- Bespoke total knee replacement
- Revision total knee replacement
- Anterior Cruciate ligament reconstruction
- Posterior cruciate ligament reconstruction

**We also take tertiary referrals for second opinions from both consultant colleagues and GPs.**

# How We Do It

Wrightington has an international reputation for excellence in Orthopaedic Surgery. This has been achieved by decades of positive feedback from patients who have been thrilled by the results of their treatment and surgery; and from surgeons who travel from around the world to visit Wrightington not only to learn from our 37 eminent Consultants but also the Surgical Teams that support them.

## Practice Makes Perfect

Every year we undertake significantly more orthopaedic operations than most other hospitals in the country. The National Joint Registry shows that Wrightington is **5th in the Country** in terms of the number of operations we undertake annually. In 2016 we did 1302 hip replacements. That's **6 times more** than the average UK hospital. We also did **1032 knee replacements**. That's **4.5 times more** than the average UK hospital.

The volume of operations per surgeon may explain why our revision rates are amongst the best in the country. Based on 2015-16 data we are the **top in the country for infection rates** after hip and knee surgery with no patients reporting an infection.

Our ability to undertake complex hip, knee and ACL (Anterior Cruciate Ligament) reconstruction make us very popular with elite athletes and we specialise in sports injuries. We also do the highest number of shoulder and elbow replacements in Greater Manchester.

We also take tertiary referrals for second opinions from both consultant colleagues and GPs.

# We Won't Keep You Waiting!

Wrightington is an elective site with ring-fenced beds which means that we rarely have to cancel operations.

In 2015-16 our **mean wait for admitted patients was 18% better** than the national average and for **non-admitted patients our results were 45% better**.

In 2015-16 we were **top in the country** for 52 week wait with none of our patients having to wait that long.

# We Come Recommended!

According to NHS England data February 2015 to January 2016 in our friends and family survey the percentage of **patients who would recommend our service was 98.34%** against an average of 95.44% putting us in the **top ten in the country**.





# What our Patients Say

Overwhelmingly our patient comments are very positive. Any suggestions and feedback on where we can do better is taken very seriously and we do everything we can to review our services and implement changes where possible to make our patients' experience even better.

"Extremely pleasant, from the lovely en-suite room to the caring, friendly staff, it has been an absolute pleasure to be a patient here".

"The whole experience was very reassuring. Waiting time was accurately predicted. All staff were very competent and patient centred".

"Staff are an absolute credit to the Trust. Professional, knowledgeable, empathetic and reassuring. I have had the very best of care".

"As hospital stays go, this was a very nice experience. Everybody was very patient, caring and made my hospital stay less stressful than it should have been".



# New Accommodation

Our £18.1 million development, the Charnley Building, opened in December 2015.

The Unit features:

- 28 beds made up of three four-bedded bays
- 16 single en-suite rooms
- An admissions unit
- An impressive four bay, barn theatre complex

The complex offers patients a vastly improved environment to receive their care.



# Do You or Your Patients Have Private Medical Insurance?

**If the answer is 'Yes' you and your patients are welcome to benefit from care via our Private Patient Unit – The John Charnley Wing' at Wrightington Hospital.**

When selecting a private facility for major orthopaedic surgery the success of the outcome and quality of care are naturally of paramount importance.

At JCW we offer an outstanding quality of service. It is our priority to provide patients with the best care, as quickly as possible, tailored to patient needs at a time that suits them.

We benefit from working with healthcare teams at Wrightington so have access to some of the most experienced and talented consultants and healthcare professionals in the region, which results in excellent clinical outcomes for our patients.

The private facility comprises of outpatient consultation rooms and sixteen en-suite, ground floor rooms, which are attractively furnished and comprehensively equipped, including a nurse call system. All rooms have direct telephone lines and televisions with access to various Sky channels.

All patients will still need a GP referral to access our private patient services. However, once they have received their referral patients can book their appointment with us direct.

People making use of their health insurance supports the NHS by saving money and reducing waiting times for other patients.

To find out more about our private patient services contact one of the team on 0800 028 5557 or visit our website [jcwprivatepatients.com](http://jcwprivatepatients.com)





Reception

Outpatients



# How to Refer?

## NHS

GPs now refer patients for an orthopaedic assessment at the Musculoskeletal Clinical Assessment and Treatment Service (MSK CATS).

Assessments are undertaken by an experienced healthcare professional to gain an accurate diagnosis and arrange the most appropriate treatment plan. This can include: physiotherapy, podiatry, orthotics, advice or exercises, an injection or referral for surgery.

## Private

Once patients have a referral letter from their GP they are able to ring the unit directly to make an appointment.



# How To Find Us?

All appointment letters will include details of where the appointment will be held. We do hold clinics at Wigan and Leigh but the majority of our Orthopaedic work is carried out at Wrightington Hospital.

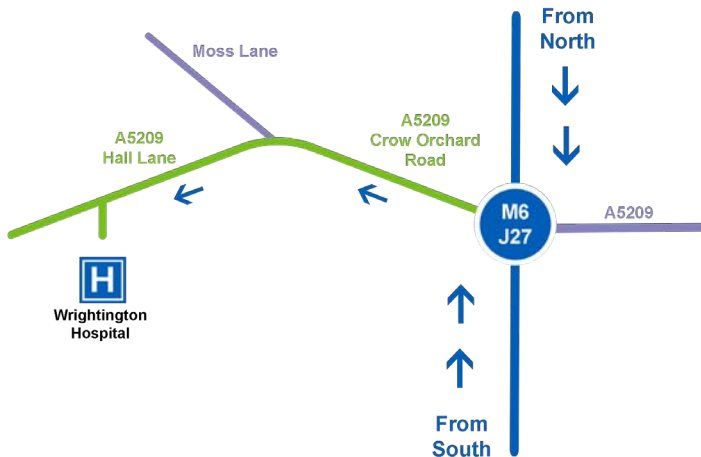
Wrightington Hospital, Hall Lane, Appley Bridge, Wigan. WN6 9EP

## Directions from the North

Follow the M6 South bound heading for Wigan. At Junction 27, Standish, leave the M6. Get in the right hand lane of the slip road. At the roundabout follow signs for Parbold and Ormskirk on the A5209. Once you are on the A5209 signs for Wrightington Hospital are clearly visible. The hospital is approximately a half a mile from Junction 27 of the M6 on your left.

## Directions from the South

Follow the M6 North bound for Wigan. At Junction 27, Standish, leave the M6. Get in the left hand lane. At the roundabout follow signs for Ormskirk and Parbold on the A5209. Once you are on the A5209 follow signs for Wrightington Hospital which are clearly visible. The hospital is approximately a half mile from Junction 27 of the M6 on your left.



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