

CURRICULUM VITAE

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MEDICAL-RELATED ACTIVITIES & APPOINTMENTS

Radiologist

Radiologist in Wagga Wagga from 1996, originally a 'partner' of Wagga Medical Imaging, now the senior radiologist (Clinical Director) for I-MED Riverina (I-MED).

1996-2017, **Visiting Medical Practitioner Radiologist to Wagga Wagga Base Hospital (WWBH), Griffith Base Hospital** and the following **District Hospitals**: Tumut, Gundagai, Tumbarumba, Cootamundra, Junee, Narrandera, Leeton, West Wyalong, Hay and Hillston. De facto 'Director of Radiology' for WWBH from 2008 to 2016.

1998-2017, **Visiting Medical Practitioner Radiologist, NSW Breast Screen**

Teaching & Training

Over the last 24 years I have been an active teacher and trainer of:

- overseas trained radiologists, 7 of whom under my supervision have passed the Part 2 examinations of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists (RANZCR) while working at I-MED
- junior and trainee medical staff of WWBH
- sonographers and trainee sonographers at I-MED
- medical students of the UNSW Rural Clinical School.

This has included giving tutorials and lectures, writing learning notes to supplement medical student tutorials, developing a radiology image library and convening clinical specialty-based imaging meetings.

Instrumental in creating the Radiology Trainee position at I-MED (and funding of), part of the NSW LAN3 Radiology Training Network; 2016 – current).

Helped create one of the first Radiology RMO positions in NSW in 2012, at WWBH, for which I was the Supervisor until December 2016.

Active in rural-regional GP education on an ad hoc basis.

Conjoint Associate Professor, University of New South Wales (2010-2020)

Chair (2012-2021), Rural Medical School Implementation Committee (Wagga Wagga)

Member, WWBH General Clinical Training Committee (2010-2016)

NSW IMET Radiology Training Implementation Group (2008-9)

Medical Workforce Development

Chair (2007-current), Riverina Regional Medical Specialist Recruitment & Retention Committee – a collaborative initiative involving I-MED Riverina, Calvary Health Care Riverina, Murrumbidgee Local Health District, Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network, Wagga Wagga City Council, UNSW Riverina Medical School, UNDA Rural Clinical School, Riverina Regional Training Hub, Murrumbidgee Regional Training Hub. This is the major driver of the growth and development of the medical specialist workforce in the city and region.

Member (2008-2016) and Chair (2012-2016), Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists Radiology Workforce Committee, where amongst other things I implemented modern census techniques and was lead author for Workforce Reports for Clinical Radiologists in Australia and New Zealand.

Member, UNSW Riverina Medical School Oversight Council from its inception in early 2020.

Clinical Governance

Riverina Representative, IMED Clinical Management Committee (2020-current)
Member (2000-current) and **Chair** (2007-current), **Medical Affairs Committee, Regional Imaging Cardiovascular Centre**
Member (2010-2020) and **Chair** (2010-2013), **Clinical Management Committee, Regional Imaging Riverina**
Member (2011-2017), **Regional Imaging Management Advisory Committee**
Member (2011-2017), **Regional Imaging Clinical Management Committee**
Director (2001-2011) and **Chair** (2006-2011), **Regional Imaging Management Pty Ltd** - the company that provided medical imaging services to Regional Imaging Pty Ltd, the largest provider of non-metropolitan radiology services in Australia (Riverina, Border and Gippsland regions of NSW and Victoria and the whole of Tasmania)
Member, Riverina Cancer Services Executive (2008-2014)
Member, WWBH Clinical Heads of Department Committee (2009-2015)
Member, WWBH Clinical Governance Committee (2003-2009)
Member, WWBH Medical Staff Committee (1996-current)
Member, I-MED Network Chairmen's Council (2006-7)

ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

Awarded Member of the Order of Australia (AM), Australia Day Honours List 2024, for "Significant services to medicine, and medical imaging training".

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Radiologists**

Started the Australia & New Zealand Rural Radiology Special Interest group, now Co-Chair (with another Wagga Wagga colleague), 2017-current

Clinical Radiologist Clinical Lead, Regional and Rural Needs Analysis and subsequent Working Group, 2015-2017

Clinical Radiologist Lead, Trainee Selection Review Working Group, 2016-2018

Member, Technical Reference Group, Quality Use of Diagnostic Imaging, 2005-6

Steering Committee member of the Accreditation, Guidelines & Quality Committee, 1997-1999

Member of the Ultrasound Committee, 1996-1999

Convenor of the Audit and Quality Assurance Committee 1996 –1997

Co-convenor of the 1997 conference on quality in medical imaging entitled Professional Survival by Leadership

Australasian Society for Ultrasound in Medicine

Councillor (Medical) 1996-1999

Chairman, Medical Affairs Committee 1997-1999

Vice-Chairman of the Australian Vascular Ultrasound Accreditation Board 1998-1999

National Prescribing Service Ltd

Member, Diagnostics Expert Advisory Panel (2011-2013)

Consultative Committee on Diagnostic Imaging

Chaired the session entitled 'Ensuring quality – challenges and issues' at the CCDI's Forum on Ultrasound held 13-14 June 1998, Sydney

Murrumbidgee Health & Knowledge Precinct

Original member of the Wagga Wagga Health & Knowledge Steering Committee (~2017-2023)

Member, Alliance (2023-current)

Member, Interim Joint Working Group (2023-current)

RADIOLOGY TRAINING

Feb 1996 – May 1996

Visiting Associate, Medical Imaging Dept, Royal Hospital for Women, Sydney

Jan 1996

Visiting Fellow, Medical Imaging Dept, Stanford University Medical Centre, Palo Alto, California

Dec 1995

Clinical Ultrasound Trainee, Centre for Prenatal Diagnosis & Treatment, British Columbia's Women's Hospital, Vancouver, BC, Canada

July 1995 to Nov 1995

Clinical Lecturer in Radiology (Locum Tenens) and Honorary Senior Registrar in Radiology, University of Wales College of Medicine and University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff, UK

July 1994 – June 1995

Fellow in Paediatric Radiology, Royal Children's Hospital and University of Melbourne, Melbourne

April 1994 – May 1994

Trainee in MRI, Radiology Dept, Royal Melbourne Hospital, Melbourne

Jan 1992 – Jan 1994

Radiology Registrar, Radiology Dept, Royal Melbourne Hospital, Melbourne

Jan 1990 – Jan 1992

Radiology Registrar, Royal Canberra and Woden Valley Hospitals, Canberra

MEDICAL QUALIFICATIONS**Fellow, Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists**

Awarded 21 July 1995, after passing the DRACR Part 1 and Part 2 examinations and completing prescribed training at accredited sites.

Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery

University of Sydney, conferred 8 February 1986

Intern and Resident Appointments

St Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst in 1986, 1987, 1988 & 1989 (included secondments to Griffith Base Hospital, Wagga Wagga Base Hospital x 2, Liverpool Hospital, Nepean Hospital)

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

I fulfil the CPD requirements for Fellows of the RANZCR, including the specific requirements for MRI and Mammography. This encompasses a wide range of activities, too numerous to detail here, but includes: involvement in specific small-class courses; attendance at medical imaging conferences; personal reading of texts and journals; testing of knowledge on radiology websites, e.g. Aunt Minnie and ACR Case of the Week; feedback and other learning at regular local clinical-imaging meetings (with clinical specialists, and including Breast Screen CRM's; Oncology MDT's, etc) and a regular local Peer Review meeting amongst Wagga Wagga's radiologists.

I have found the most valuable activity for general learning and skill development purposes are the regular local clinical-imaging meetings where I present the imaging (often as a blind new case) and then get direct feedback from the clinical specialists present (often pathologically or surgically confirmed).

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

RANZCR, Fellow and member
Australasian Society of Paediatric Imagers, Member
Regional Medical Specialists Association, Member

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

CT appearances of rounded atelectasis, Australasian Radiology 1992; 36: 308-312

Hepatic focal nodular hyperplasia: colour Doppler ultrasound can be diagnostic, Australasian Radiology 1995; 39: 90-93

Accreditation and quality assurance in medical imaging, RANZCR, March 1997

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

2016 RANZCR Clinical Radiology Workforce Census Report: Australia, Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists, Sydney

ACADEMIC PAPERS PRESENTED

Lymphography and computed tomography in early stage testicular germ cell tumours, RACR 44th Annual Scientific meeting, October 1993, Sydney

Radiologically controlled percutaneous biopsy in paediatric patients and Neonatal urinary bladder rupture, International Congress of Paediatric Surgery and Paediatric Radiology, March 1995, Melbourne

An audit of radiology audit, University Hospital of Wales Postgraduate Series, October 1995, Cardiff

Quality improvement and Quality assurance in the delivery of imaging services, Medical Imaging: Towards and Beyond 2000, March 1996, Melbourne

BACKGROUND

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