

Professional Profile

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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PROFILE

Neil is clinical lead of NPP Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy and Injection Therapy Service. Neil also works as an Advanced Practice Physiotherapist within the Musculoskeletal Service at Sandwell and West Birmingham NHS Trust. Neil is an experienced clinician having qualified as a Physiotherapist in 2002 and has worked in an Advanced Practitioner role since 2007. Neil has a special interest in the management of shoulder problems. Neil has undertaken significant post graduate clinical and research training that informs his clinical practice.

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KEY SKILLS

- Advanced Practice Musculoskeletal Physiotherapist.
- Clinical interpretation of orthopaedic investigations.
- Joint and soft tissue injection therapy.
- Ultrasound guided peripheral joint injection.
- Research.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Chartered Society of Physiotherapy (CSP 067969)
- Mem Health & Care Professions Council (PH 61964)
- Association of Chartered Physiotherapists with a special interest in Orthopaedic Medicine and Injection Therapy (ACPOM – IT)
- Advanced Practice Physiotherapist Network (APPN)
- Council for Allied Health Professionals in Research (CAHPR)

PUBLICATIONS RECORD

- Smith N, Liew Z, Johnson S, Ellard DR, Underwood M, Kearney R. A systematic review of the methods and drugs used for performing suprascapular nerve block injections for the non-surgical management of chronic shoulder pain. *British Journal of Pain*. 2021;15(4):460-473. doi:[10.1177/2049463721992091](https://doi.org/10.1177/2049463721992091)
- Smith N, Salt E: Physiotherapists use of suprascapular nerve block injections. Conference report, APPN website, [Internet]. 2020. Available from: <https://www.appn.org.uk/education/horizon-articles/the-use-of-suprascapular-nerve-block-injection-for-people-with-chronic-shoulder-pain-within-physiotherapy-practice>
- Smith N, Perry J, Lewis J, Green A: Clinician's experiences and views on the use of suprascapular nerve block injections in the management of shoulder pain. *Physiotherapy* [Internet] The Chartered Society of Physiotherapy; page e80–1, 2019. Available from: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.physio.2018.11.050>
- Published interview in Frontline <https://www.csp.org.uk/frontline/article/foot-both-camps-clinical-academic-careers>

EDUCATION

- Master of Science by Research (MScR) Coventry University (2018).
- BSc Physiotherapy 1st Class Honours, Salford University (2002).
- BSc Applied Sciences (Human Biology and Biomedical Sciences) 2.1, Wolverhampton University (1997).

Addition post graduate clinical education

- Musculoskeletal Ultrasound training - Essex University (2019-2022).
 - Technical Considerations in Ultrasound Imaging
 - Introduction to Musculoskeletal Ultrasound
 - Ultrasound guided injections
- Applied Orthopaedic Radiology, Salford University (2014)
- Upper Limb Orthopaedics, Salford University (2013)
- Soft tissue and Peripheral joint Injection Therapy (MSK), Coventry University (2007)

Research Training

- HEE / NIHR ICA Pre-doctoral Clinical Academic Fellowship. Warwick University (2018-2021).
- HEE / NIHR ICA Research Studentship. Coventry University (2017).
- HEE / NIHR ICA Clinical Academic Internship Programme (CAIP). Birmingham Health Partners / Birmingham University (2015).

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- Clinical Lead NPP Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy and Injection Therapy Service (2018- Present)
- Advanced Practice Physiotherapist (Musculoskeletal) - Musculoskeletal Service, Sandwell and West Birmingham NHS Trust (1999 – Present)