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Practice Profile and Curriculum Vitae

I completed my undergraduate medical training in 1978 at the University of Cape Town and subsequently specialised in General Surgery at U.C.T. and Groote Schuur Hospital, completing a rigorous and in-depth training program in 1986, and obtaining Fellowships of the College of Surgeons of South Africa and Edinburgh in the same year. I practised as a full-time Specialist Surgeon at Groote Schuur Hospital for three years and obtained a wide experience in colorectal, breast, upper gastro-intestinal, vascular surgery and endocrine surgery. A research degree M.Med (Surg.) Cape Town was awarded in 1989. I was appointed as a Specialist Surgeon and Lecturer, at three university hospitals in Cape Town in 1990, and participated in the undergraduate and postgraduate academic programmes of the University of Cape Town. Together with my wife and five children, we settled in Sydney in the latter part of 1993, mainly for family reasons, as my wife's family originated in Australia. All five of our children are married and we have fourteen grandchildren, ten in Sydney and four in Newcastle. I accepted a position at Concord Hospital in 1994 as a Senior Registrar in Breast and General Surgery and completed the FRACS examination in April, 1994.

I have practised as a surgeon at the Sydney Adventist Hospital since 1994. I held the position of secretary in the Department of General Surgery at the S.A.H. for a period of 8 years until 2014. I have retained a specialist appointment at the NSW Breast Screening Programme R.N.S.H. since 1994. I am a member of the General Surgery and Breast Sections of the R.A.C.S.

I participate in the Sydney Adventist Hospital Multi-disciplinary Breast and Gastro-intestinal Surgery Units. The Multi-disciplinary Clinical Meetings include a full range of medical specialists and support staff, meeting every second week to discuss individual patients. The MDM provides the template for individual patient care, with recommendations made concerning the treatment and longterm review of the patient.

I was appointed a Clinical Senior Lecturer at the Sydney Adventist Clinical School since its inception in 2009. The Clinical School is part of the University of Sydney. The hospital is committed to the teaching and training of both undergraduate and postgraduate students of the University of Sydney. I am involved with current Breast Cancer Research projects initiated at the Sydney Adventist Hospital.

During a 37 year career as a Specialist Surgeon, I have gained a vast experience in most of the disciplines of General Surgery. However my practice for the last 25 years has centred on the following surgical disciplines: **Laparoscopic, Breast, Colorectal, Hernia surgery, and Endoscopy.** I have maintained a surgical audit throughout my career, and have a personal experience of several thousand operations in each of the following categories: hernia surgery, laparoscopic cholecystectomy, colon cancer operations and breast cancer surgery.

I remain particularly passionate about treating patients with breast cancer. I love my work. Every day is regarded as a special opportunity to treat patients. I regard myself as being very privileged indeed to be in the position to attend to my fellow human beings.

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path". Psalm 119, vs105

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