

# Dr Clive Bezzina

## CV

### PRINCIPAL PROFESSIONAL SPECIALISMS

M.D. MRCSed MFSEM(UK) FEBPRM

**Consultant in Rehabilitation Medicine**

### QUALIFICATIONS & FELLOWSHIPS

- Doctor of Medicine & Surgery (MD), University of Malta, 2001
- Diploma in Sports & Exercise Medicine, RCSEd, 2006
- Member of the Royal College of Surgeons (MRCS), RCSEd, 2007
- Senior Fellow, European Board of Physical & Rehabilitation Medicine, 2023

### SPECIAL INTERESTS

Rehabilitation and management of people with significant disabilities, including:

- traumatic and acquired brain injuries
- prolonged disorders of consciousness
- spinal cord injuries
- orthopaedic injuries
- stroke
- long term neurological conditions including multiple sclerosis

### PRESENT POSITIONS

- **Consultant in Rehabilitation Medicine**, North Staffordshire Rehabilitation Centre, Stoke-on-Trent, 2013 - present
- **Expert Witness (Medico-Legal)** 2018 – Present
- **Clinical Lead**, Acute Rehabilitation & Trauma Unit (ARTU), Royal Stoke University Hospital, 2016 – 2023
- **Clinical Lead**, Spasticity Service, 2016 – Present

### MEMBERSHIPS OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS

- General Medical Council (GMC): 6145266
- Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh: Membership No. 59547
- Faculty of Sports & Exercise Medicine (Edinburgh): Membership No. 267
- European Board of Physical & Rehabilitation Medicine: Certificate No. 2476-2023

### PROFILE

Dr Clive Bezzina is a Consultant in Rehabilitation Medicine with over 13 years of consultant-level experience in complex neurological and trauma rehabilitation. He has provided independent medico-legal opinions since 2018 in both personal injury and clinical negligence litigation, with instructions received on an approximately equal claimant and defendant basis.

He has held senior leadership roles including Clinical Lead for the Acute Rehabilitation and Trauma Unit at Royal Stoke University Hospital, one of only five hyperacute specialist rehabilitation units nationally, and Clinical Lead for a large, established spasticity service. His medico-legal expertise includes rehabilitation needs assessment, causation, prognosis, care and therapy requirements, spasticity management, brain injury, spinal injury and polytrauma rehabilitation.

Dr Bezzina is a Senior Fellow of the European Board of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine and has completed extensive expert witness and medico-legal training. He confirms that his opinions are independent and compliant with CPR Part 35.

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## EXPERT WITNESS TRAINING

- Essential Knowledge for the Expert Witness, BMA House, London – April 2015
- Writing Expert Reports (Introduction), Professional Solutions, London – January 2017
- Writing Expert Reports (Advanced), Professional Solutions, London – January 2017
- Stewarts Medical Witness Training Day, London – March 2019
- Medico-Legal Conference – June 2021 (Online)
- Clinical Negligence Medico-Legal Course – September 2022 (Online)
- Stewarts Expert Witness Training Day, London – September 2023
- Functional Neurological Disorder for Medico-Legal Experts, NRC Medical Experts – May 2024 (Online)
- Enhancing Expertise: Expert Witness Training Seminar, McDermott KC Law, Manchester – September 2025

## PUBLICATIONS

- Bezzina, C., McGlashan, K. and Young, H. (2012). Ongoing care and Reconstruction. In: Trauma East Manual of Operations and Procedures (TEMPO) Guidelines.
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- Mariappan, M., Tudor-Ansell, S., Bezzina, C. and Bell, A. (2016). A retrospective cohort analysis to evaluate the Clinical Frailty Scale as a predictor of length of stay in hospital and delayed discharge. [Poster]. November, BSRM Conference, Manchester, (UK).
- Bezzina, C. (2017). Trauma Rehabilitation in England – The Journey so far. [Presentation]. 12th Mediterranean Congress of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine, 9 – 12 November, Malta.
- Bezzina, C. (2018). Acute Spinal Injury Rehabilitation. [Presentation]. Surviving Spinal Injury - The Journey, 15 March, Oswestry, Shropshire, (UK).
- Bezzina, C. (2019). ARTU – Specialised Rehabilitation delivered on a dedicated unit. [Presentation]. International Trauma Conference, April, Stone, (UK).
- Bezzina, C. and Okereke, I.R. (2021). Thoracic outlet syndrome and botulinum toxin-A: a service evaluation. [Poster]. BSRM, SRR & ACPPLD Joint Virtual Conference, November 2021, Online.
- Boland, M., Tudor-Ansell, S., Mobley, D., Browne, M., Bezzina, C. and Ball, A. (2021). Development of a specialised trauma geriatrics and rehabilitation in-reach service in a Major Trauma Centre (MTC). [Poster]. BSRM, SRR & ACPPLD Joint Virtual Conference, November 2021, Online.
- Bezzina, C., Degtiar, V., Danchenko, N., Calvi-Gries, F., Davis, B., Engmann, E., Guyon, E., Lecanuet, S. and Whalen, J. (2022). Clinical and Economic Outcomes of Adult Limb Spasticity Treatment with Botulinum Toxin A Products: A Single-center Non-interventional Study. [Poster]. ISPOR 2022, 15-18 May, Washington, DC, (USA).
- Bezzina, C., Bradaschiab, E., Mariappanc, M., Tranterd, L., Balloisd, N., Maisonobee, P. and Paged. S. (2022). [Presentation]. WCNR, Vienna, Austria.
- Bezzina, C., Degtiar, V., Danchenko, N., Maisonobe, P., Davis, B., Engmann, E., Guyon, E., Lecanuet, S. and Whalen, J. (2023). A UK Single-Center, Retrospective, Noninterventional Study of Clinical Outcomes and Costs of Two BotulinumtoxinA Treatments for Limb Spasticity. *Toxins* 2023, 15, 532.
- Prasada, R., Bavikatteb, G., Bradaschiac, E., Mariappand, M., Maisonobee, P., Pagef, S., Degtiarf, V., Ippolitof, M. and Bezzina, C. (2023). Mapping the care pathway in post-stroke spasticity: insights from England. [Presentation]. ECNR, Lyon, France.
- Prasada, R., Bavikatteb, G., Bradaschiac, E., Mariappand, M., Maisonobee, P., Pagef, S., Degtiarf, V., Ippolitof, M. and Bezzina, C. (2023). Post-stroke care pathway in England: barriers and plausible solutions. [Presentation]. ECNR, Lyon, France.