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Consultant Orthopaedic Trauma and Limb Reconstruction Surgeon



Terms and Conditions of

Northern Trauma Consulting

for

Independent Clinical Opinion

and Injury Guidance

as of 31st August 2026

1. Introduction

These Terms and Conditions govern the provision of independent clinical opinions, second opinion consultations, injury assessment and rehabilitation guidance by Northern Trauma Consulting.

Northern Trauma Consulting is led by **Mr Will Eardley**, Consultant Orthopaedic Trauma Surgeon. Mr Eardley's expertise is founded on three complementary perspectives: specialist clinical practice in orthopaedic trauma, national leadership in defining standards of care, and executive responsibility for clinical governance within a large NHS organisation.

Independent consultations are intended to assist patients seeking further advice regarding diagnosis, treatment, recovery or rehabilitation. Unless expressly agreed in writing, these consultations do not constitute the transfer of clinical care or the establishment of an ongoing doctor–patient relationship. Responsibility for ongoing medical care remains with the patient's treating clinician.

2. Scope of Service

Independent consultations may include:

- Assessment of injury
- Review of diagnosis
- Advice regarding treatment options
- Rehabilitation guidance
- Prognosis
- Review of previous management
- Recommendations for further investigation
- Recommendations for specialist referral

Northern Trauma Consulting has particular expertise in the assessment and management of:

- Acute fractures
- Complex fracture management
- Multiple injuries (polytrauma)
- Open fractures and orthoplastic injury
- Rib fractures and chest wall injury
- Delayed union and non-union
- Fracture fixation failure
- Post-traumatic deformity
- Bone infection (osteomyelitis)
- Wound complications following trauma or surgery
- Rehabilitation following orthopaedic injury

Independent consultations are advisory in nature. Recommendations represent an expert opinion based upon the information available at the time of assessment and should complement, rather than replace, the advice of the treating clinical team.

3. Appointments

Appointments* may be conducted in person or remotely where clinically appropriate.

Consultations are primarily undertaken at:

[Park View Medical Clinic](#)

276 Marton Road

Middlesbrough

TS4 2NS

*Appointments are arranged exclusively through Mr. Eardley's secretary:

Jo Chalmers

secretary@northerntraumaconsulting.com

Clients are responsible for providing Northern Trauma Consulting with all relevant medical information, clinic letters, operation notes, radiographs, scans and other investigations prior to the consultation wherever possible. Additional review of records submitted following the consultation may incur additional charges.

Should further imaging or investigations be recommended and agreed, these will be arranged on a self-pay basis unless otherwise agreed.

Appointments are normally available within two weeks of enquiry.

Cancellation Policy

- Cancellation more than 72 hours before the appointment – no charge.
- Cancellation between 48 and 72 hours before the appointment – 50% of the consultation fee.
- Cancellation within 48 hours of the appointment or failure to attend – full consultation fee payable.

4. Clinical Opinion

Clinical opinions represent Mr Eardley's independent professional judgement based upon the history provided, examination findings (where applicable), available investigations and supporting documentation.

Recommendations are evidence-based and reflect contemporary orthopaedic practice.

Should further clinical information become available after the consultation, opinions and recommendations may change accordingly. Where appropriate, recommendations may include referral back to the treating clinician or onward referral to another specialist.

Northern Trauma Consulting does not provide emergency medical care. Patients experiencing deterioration in their condition or requiring urgent medical assessment should contact their treating clinician, NHS 111, General Practitioner or attend their nearest Emergency Department as appropriate.

5. Reports

A comprehensive written report summarising the consultation, clinical findings and recommendations will normally be issued electronically within **two working days** of the consultation.

Reports are prepared solely for the individual or organisation commissioning the consultation and are intended only for the purpose for which they were requested.

Use of reports

Reports are prepared solely for the individual or organisation commissioning the consultation. They should not be altered, reproduced in part, or relied upon by any third party without the prior written consent of Northern Trauma Consulting.

6. Fees and Payment

Fees will be confirmed prior to the appointment and will depend upon the complexity of the consultation requested.

As a guide:

- Initial consultation, examination, advice and comprehensive written report: £300-500
- Follow-up consultation: £150-250

Invoices are payable upon receipt.

Failure to settle an invoice within five working days of receipt constitutes a breach of these Terms and Conditions. Northern Trauma Consulting reserves the right to charge reasonable administration costs and interest on overdue accounts in accordance with applicable legislation where appropriate.

Reports and subsequent services may be withheld until outstanding invoices have been settled.

7. Confidentiality

All personal and medical information will be handled in accordance with the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR), the Data Protection Act 2018 and the professional standards expected of registered medical practitioners.

Information will remain confidential except where disclosure is required by law or with the patient's consent.

8. Limitation of Service

Independent advice is provided solely on the basis of the information made available at the time of consultation.

Independent opinions are based upon information available at the time of consultation and should not be interpreted as guaranteeing any particular clinical outcome.

Northern Trauma Consulting cannot accept responsibility for:

- Information that has not been disclosed.
- Decisions taken by third parties.
- Clinical management undertaken by treating clinicians.
- Changes in clinical circumstances occurring after the consultation.

Independent opinions should be considered alongside the advice of the patient's treating healthcare professionals.

9. Governing Law

- These Terms and Conditions shall be governed by the laws of England and Wales.
- Any dispute arising from the provision of services by Northern Trauma Consulting shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.

Kind regards,



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