



Mr Tapan Mehta

Consultant Vascular Surgeon

Mr Tapan Mehta qualified from Bombay University in India. He was awarded the MBBS degree in 1995 and Master of Surgery (MS) degree in 1998. He completed his basic surgical training at Ipswich Hospital in Suffolk. Thereafter, he pursued a higher research degree – MD (vascular surgery) at the University of Hull. His higher surgical training was at the East of England Higher Surgical Training Scheme, during which he was posted at Ipswich Hospital, Norfolk & Norwich Hospital and Addenbrooke's Hospital. His final year of training was completed at the Princess Alexandra Hospital in Brisbane, Australia as part of the UK-Australasia exchange fellowship in vascular surgery. Mr Mehta then went on to complete a post-CCT endovascular fellowship at Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge.

Mr Mehta was appointed as a consultant vascular surgeon at Bedford Hospital in December 2010. Vascular surgery is fast evolving with several open operations being replaced by minimal access keyhole procedures. Mr Mehta has received training in these new techniques both in Australia and at Cambridge.

His main areas of interest are aneurysm repair using endovascular techniques (EVAR) and peripheral arterial disease. His research was in supervised exercise and angioplasty in patients with intermittent claudication, for which he was awarded the British Journal of Surgery research bursary in 2001. Mr Mehta is keen to adopt a multi-modality approach in treating patients with critical leg ischaemia, especially in patients with diabetes.

In his free time Mr Mehta enjoys cooking and can conjure up some mean curries. He also likes keeping fit by running, rowing and swimming.