Management of aortic dissection in North West of England, Wales, and Isle of Man



**Monday 20 November 2023 *(Rearranged from Tuesday 19 September to Monday 20 November due to planned industrial action)***

**9:00am for a 10:00am start – 2:00pm**

**Delta Hotels by Marriott Preston**, Garstang Road, Broughton, Preston, PR3 5JB (ample *free* onsite parking available) **Brougton Suite**

Getting there [car, walk, cycle](https://www.google.com/maps/place/53%C2%B048'19.5%22N+2%C2%B043'05.5%22W/@53.805426,-2.718189,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m4!3m3!8m2!3d53.805426!4d-2.718189?entry=ttu). For public transport – please check with your local provider.

**Our aim/purpose of the day – *free to attend in person only***

Tuesday 19 September is International Aortic Dissection Awareness Day and as part of the North West organisation for the NHS Aortic Dissection Toolkit, we intend to use this day to launch the new pathways and procedures for managing this disease through the North West.

NHS England in partnership with The Aortic Dissection Charitable Trust, Greater Manchester and Eastern Cheshire Strategic Clinical Network and Northwest Coast Clinical Network are running an education, patient, and NHS Toolkit launch event.

This event will cover the management of aortic dissections, with a particular focus on Acute Type A and Type B, whilst paving the way for new care pathways, sharing patient experiences, providing A&E perspectives, and setting standards for acute care and follow-up.

**Target audience**

****This event is open to patients and families, AHPs in A&E Units, AHPs in Tertiary Treating Units and NHS leaders.

**On social**

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**Queries**

Should you have any queries, please email:

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| **9:00 – 10:00am** | **Registration and arrival with refreshments available** | |
| 10:00 – 10:15am | ***Hosted by Professor Mark Field*** | |
| Welcome, introductions and scene setting | Professor Mark Field, Consultant Aortic and Cardiac Surgery, Clinical Lead for Aortic Surgery and Jane Tomkinson OBE, Chief Executive, Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital NHS FT |
| 10:15 – 10:35am | Patient View/Lived Experience | 'Whispering’ Bob Harris OBE, Aortic Dissection Survivor and Patient |
| 10:35 – 10:55am | National Dissection Toolkit | Graham Cooper, Ex-President, Society for Cardiothoracic Surgery in Great Britain & Ireland and Aortic Dissection Toolkit National Lead, NHS England |
| 10:55 – 11:10am | Acute Type A | Mr Vipin Mehta, Consultant in Cardiac Surgery and Heart & Lung Transplantation, Manchester University NHS FT (Wythenshawe) |
| 11:10 – 11:25am | Acute Type B | Mr David Murray, Consultant Vascular Surgeon and Clinical Head of The Cardiovascular Division, Manchester University NHS FT (Manchester Royal Infirmary) |
| 11:25 – 11:45am | Panel Q&A chaired by Professor Mark Field | |
| 11:45am – 12noon | Refreshment break | |
| 12noon – 12:15pm | A&E Understanding the Reality | Dr Austin Smithies, Consultant in Emergency Medicine, Hull University Teaching Hospitals NHS T |
| 12:15 – 12:45pm | Centre updates on Toolkit |  |
|  | * Manchester | Mr Vipin Mehta, Consultant in Cardiac Surgery and Heart & Lung Transplantation, Manchester University NHS FT (Wythenshawe) |
|  | * Liverpool | Mr Simon Neequaye, Consultant Vascular and Endovascular Surgeon, Liverpool University Hospitals NHS FT and Professor Mark Field, Consultant Aortic and Cardiac Surgery, Clinical Lead for Aortic Surgery, Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital NHS FT and |
|  | * Preston/Blackpool | Professor Mohamad Nidal Bittar, Consultant Cardiothoracic Surgeon, Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS FT (Lancashire Cardiac Centre, Blackpool Victoria) |
| 12:45 – 1:00pm | Support and Standards of Follow-up | Una Ahearn, Advanced Aortic Nurse Practitioner, Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital NHS FT |
| 1:00 – 1:20pm | Panel Q&A chaired by Professor Mark Field | |
| 1:20 – 1:30pm | Next steps, summary, and lunch | Professor Mark Field, Consultant Aortic and Cardiac Surgery, Clinical Lead for Aortic Surgery, Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital NHS FT |
| 1:30 – 2:00pm | Lunch and afternoon session (where appropriate) | |