

DR. RODNEY J. FRENCH
MD, M.ED., FRCSC, DIP. SPORTS MED.

PLASTIC & RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY
SPECIALIZED IN SURGERY OF THE HAND & WRIST
SUBSPECIALTY SPORTS-RELATED HAND & WRIST INJURIES



ABBREVIATED

CURRICULUM VITAE

(FULL/EXPANDED ACADEMIC CV AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST)

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MARRIED

Dr. Kelly M. French (nee Harrison)
of North Vancouver, British Columbia
Specialty: *Psychiatry* Subspecialty: *Geriatric Psychiatry*

CHILDREN

Son, *Harrison*, born 2001
Daughter, *Peyton*, born 2004
Son, *Lachlan*, born 2005

EDUCATION

- 2022 **Masters Certificate: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion** – Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
December 2022.
- 2021 **Masters Certificate: Medicine and The Media – *How to tell the stories that make a Difference*** - Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA (June 2021)
- 2017 **Diploma in Sports Medicine (Dip. Sports Med.)**, Canadian Association for Sport and Exercise Medicine (CASEM)
- 2005 **Masters of Medical Education (MEd.)**, Mount Saint Vincent University and Dalhousie University. Thesis: “Teaching Professionalism in Medical Education”
- 2003-4 **Hand & Microvascular Surgery Fellowship - Harvard Medical School**
Junior Attending Staff, Division of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery
Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA
- 2002 **Plastic Surgery (FRCSC)** - Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- 1998 **Diplomate of the National Board of Medical Examiners of the United States of America**
(Certificate #40461980) – USMLE completed 1997
- 1996 **Doctor of Medicine (MD)**, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C., Canada
- 1991 **Bachelor of Science (BSc.)**, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C.
Marine Biology major, Oceanography minor

FACULTY APPOINTMENT

- 2009- **Assistant Professor in Plastic Surgery, Department of Surgery, UBC**
Vancouver, British Columbia

CLINICAL POSITIONS:

- 2004 - **NHL/NHLPA Second Medical Opinion Physician** – on “The List” held jointly by NHL and NHL Players’ Association to provide second medical opinions on player injuries.
- 2018 - **Specialist Referral Clinic** – private hand and wrist surgeon
- 2014 - **WorkSafeBC Specialist Consultant (WCB)** – plastic surgery consultant.
- 2004 - 2018 **Active Staff, Division of Plastic Surgery, Royal Columbian & Eagleridge Hospitals; Head of Plastic Surgery at Peace Arch Hospital**
New Westminster, British Columbia

SPORTS MEDICINE TEAM PHYSICIAN ROLES

- Oct/Nov 2023 **Surgeon for Canadian Olympic Team to PanAm Games, Santiago, Chile**
- 2023 **Head Team Physician, Western Canada – Canadian Freestyle Ski Team**
Care of staff and athletes, overarching medical oversight for emergency protocol planning, prevention, travel medical bag set-up, etc.
- 2023 **Core Medical Team, World Rugby 7’s Series, Vancouver**
Subspecialty care of lacerations, hand injuries, facial fractures.
- Fall 2022 **Traveling Team Physician – Canadian Freestyle Ski Team**
Care of staff and athletes at events in Austria and Sweden
- 2021 **Core Medical Team Doctor, Canadian Olympic Team, 2020 Summer Olympics Tokyo**
- 2018 **Canada Snowboard Head Team physician for PyeongChang 2018 Olympics in Korea.**
- 2016-2019 **Head Team Physician – Canadian Olympic Snowboard Team**
- 2010 - 2019 **Calgary Flames – Hand and Wrist Surgeon for NHL Team**
- 2010-2018 **Vancouver Whitecaps – Consultant Hand and Wrist Surgeon for MLS Soccer Team**
- 2014-2019 **Canada Snowboard – Hand & Wrist Consultant**
- 2016 **NHL Team Doctor for NHL Game – Calgary Flames @ Phoenix Coyotes**
Glendale, AZ, March 28, 2016
- 2018 **Winter X Games – Team Doctor, Canadian Snowboard Slopestyle Team**
ESPN Winter X Games, Aspen, CO
- 2016 **Winter X Games – Team Doctor, Canadian Slopestyle and Snowboardcross Teams,**
ESPN Winter X Games, Aspen, CO
- 2015 **Winter X Games – Team Doctor, Canadian Slopestyle and Snowboardcross Teams**
ESPN Winter X Games, Aspen, CO.
- 2015 **Calgary Flames – Entry Medical Exams, Calgary, Alberta. September 17/18, 2015**

SPORTS MEDICINE TEAM PHYSICIAN ROLES...cont'd

- 2014 **Calgary Flames – Entry Medical Exams**, Calgary, Alberta. September 18/19, 2014
- 2014 **Canada-Japan Rugby International Test Match – Physician Coverage**, Jun 7, 2014
- 2014 **Calgary Flames – Exit Medical Exams**
Coverage of hand and wrist injuries at end of season. Rogers Arena, Vancouver, Apr 13
- 2014 **NHL Team Doctor for Game #1011– Calgary Flames @ Phoenix Coyotes**
Glendale, AZ, March 15, 2014
- 2014 **Winter X Games – Team Doctor, Canadian Slopestyle and Snowboardcross Teams**
ESPN Winter X Games, Aspen, CO.
- 2014 **Canada Snowboard – Team Doctor**
Travelled with team for 3 weeks in January to Andorra, Spain and Vail, CO
- 2013 **Canada Snowboard – Team Doctor**
Travelled with team for 2 weeks in March to Veysonnaz, Switzerland and Sierra Nevada, Spain
- 2012 **Abbotsford Heat Team Doctor – for round two of Playoffs.** Travelled with team to Milwaukee, WI
- 2010 - 2014 **Abbotsford Heat, Game Physician and Consultant Surgeon (AHL affiliate of Calgary Flames)**

CURRENT MEDICAL LICENSES

- 2004- **College of Physicians & Surgeons of British Columbia (#24378)**
2021- **College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta (#026013)**

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

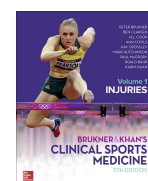
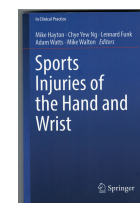
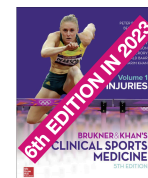
- 2016- **American Society for Surgery of the Hand (ASSH)**
2012- **Canadian Academy of Sport and Exercise Medicine (CASEM)**
2009- **International Wrist Arthroscopy Society (IWAS)**
1996- **Canadian Society of Plastic Surgeons**
1992- **Canadian Medical Association**
1992- **British Columbia Medical Association/Doctors of BC**

BOARD POSITIONS:

- 2019 - **NHL Department of Player Safety; Protective Equipment Subcommittee**
Hand & Wrist Injury Task Group, laceration working group.
- 2011 - 2023 **Governor, Southridge School Board of Governors –** Independent K-12 school in Surrey, BC. Chair of education committee (since 2014), governance committee (2016-), Chair of risk management committee (since 2021), yearly strategic planning refresh and new strategic plan every 5 years.
- 2007 - 2014 **Board Member, Education Committee of the Canadian Society of Plastic Surgeons**
6-year term to coordinate national meetings and ensure ongoing meeting accreditation based on adult learning needs and current best educational practices.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2023 **ROD FRENCH**, G St George, I Needleman, & S Griffin. **Chapter 22: Face, eye and teeth**, In *Brukner and Khan's Clinical Sports Medicine, 6th Edition*, McGraw Hill.
- 2023 **ROD FRENCH**, H Anderson, & G Hoy. **Chapter 27: Hand and Finger Injuries**, In *Brukner and Khan's Clinical Sports Medicine, 6th Edition*, McGraw Hill.
- 2022 FRENCH, Rodney J. **The Role of the Hand Surgery Consultant in the Care of the Hockey Athlete**, *Sports Med Arthrosc Review*, Vol. 30(4), pp. 189-195.
- 2019 **FRENCH RJ** and Graham TJ. **Injuries to the ECU tendon and its investments in athletes**. In *Sports Injuries of the Hand and Wrist*, Ed. M Hayton MD. Springer.
- 2016 **ROD FRENCH**, G St George, I Needleman, & S Griffin. **Chapter 22: Face, eye and teeth**, In *Brukner and Khan's Clinical Sports Medicine, 5th Edition*, McGraw Hill.



RELEVANT INVITED GUEST LECTURESHIPS

- 2016 - yearly **International Faculty Instructor – Advanced Wrist Arthroscopy Course**
International Wrist Arthroscopy Society (IWAS), Strasbourg, France. November
- 2018 **FRENCH, R. “Phalangeal Fractures in Elite Level Athletes”** as Invited Faculty for *Instructional Course 05 “Athletic Injuries in the Upper Extremity: Treatment and Return to Play”*. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Surgery of the Hand (ASSH), Sept 13, 2018, Boston, MA.
- 2017 **FRENCH, R. “Phalangeal Fractures in Elite Level Athletes”** as Invited Faculty for *Instructional Course 05 “Athletic Injuries in the Upper Extremity: Treatment and Return to Play”*. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Surgery of the Hand (ASSH), Sept 6, 2017, San Francisco, CA.
- 2017 **FRENCH, R. “Hand & Wrist Injuries in Elite Level Athletes”**. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society for Surgery of the Hand (CSSH), June 20, 2017, Winnipeg
- 2015 **Visiting Professor, Juan de Fuca Orthopedic Association Annual Meeting**
“Missed Scaphoid Injuries” & “Ulnar Shortening for Chronic Wrist Pain”
Oak Bay Beach Hotel, Victoria, BC. April 18, 2015.
- 2014 **Comprehensive Care of Hand and Wrist Injuries in the Elite Athlete – CPD Gateway**
Lecture Series, London, UK
- 2013 **Comprehensive Care of the Elite Athlete, Quebec Society of Plastic Surgeons Meeting –**
Montreal, PQ, November 9, 2013. Dr. Jean-Paul Brutus, Course Organizer.
- 2013 **Comprehensive Hand Surgery Care of the Elite Level Athlete, ASSH Course – Chicago,**
IL, May 3-4, 2013. Dr. Tom Weidrich, Head of Course

RELEVANT NATIONAL CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 2016 **FRENCH, R. CANADIAN EXPERT SERIES – “Care of Hand & Wrist Injuries in the Elite Level Athlete”**. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society of Plastic Surgeons, June 16, 2016, Ottawa, Ontario
- 2003 **FRENCH, R. “Professionalism Curricula at Canadian Medical Schools”**
Presented at Bi-Annual Canadian Undergraduate Surgical Education Committee (CUSEC) Meeting, Whistler, BC, Dec 6, 2003

INTERNATIONAL SURGICAL VOLUNTEER WORK

- 2010 **Obakki Foundation, Ndumbe, Cameroon** – 10-day mission to establish medical program for poverty stricken remote valley region in Cameroon, West Africa.
- 2002 **Operation Smile** – Mission to Santa Cruz, Bolivia, March 27 – April 6, 2002.
139 surgeries to repair cleft lip and palate deformities in poverty-stricken area.
- 1998 **St. Apollinaris Hospital, Kwazulu-Natal Province, South Africa** - One month as medical volunteer at rural hospital. Work primarily in surgical theatre with burn excisions and grafting.

SPECIAL INTERESTS AND Achievements

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society – Lifetime appointment

Duke of Edinburgh’s Gold Award – Presented by H.R.H. Prince Phillip, The Duke of Edinburgh in Vancouver, Canada, October 1987

Canadian Coast Guard Search & Rescue SAR Tech – Various remote BC coast sites, 1992-1995
Boat handling, navigation, survival skills, public relations, search patterns, medical evacuations, night searches, engine repairs, marine weather, towing of vessels

Hockey Canada Safety Program – Cert’s 2012, 2021
Certified for Hockey Canada Safety Personnel for 6 years (Cert. # BCH-2G-229TYTG)

Advanced Trauma Life Support Instructor Certification – Mar. 1999
ATLS Instructor 1999 – 2003

Advanced Trauma Life Support Certification – since 1998

Advanced Cardiac Life Support Certification – since 1995

Artwork – sketching, pen & ink drawings, acrylics and watercolours, sculpting
– Patent drawing for medical device I designed and patented
– Portfolio available upon request

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