

Professor Chandra M Kumar



Professor Chandra Mohan Kumar graduated from Patna Medical College, Patna, India in 1973. After completing basic training in Patna Medical College Hospital, Patna, Bihar, he joined Government of Bihar as a Civil Assistant Surgeon in Bihar Military Police Hospital.

He is an internationally recognised expert and author in several aspects of anaesthesia, from broad areas such as postgraduate medical education to specialised areas such as anaesthesia for ophthalmic and major abdominal surgery.

He has an international reputation in ophthalmic anaesthesia and has been an invited speaker, chairman and leader of master classes at many international meetings. He was responsible for developing a national training workshop on local anaesthesia for ophthalmic surgery, and this has been recognised as the premier course in the UK.

He is an examiner for the College of Anaesthetists of Ireland, which is one of the highest appointments that can be made within anaesthesia without direct election, and is made in direct competition with other academic leaders within anaesthesia.

He founded and is honorary secretary of two of the specialist societies within anaesthesia – one in education (SEAUK) and one for ophthalmic anaesthesia (BOAS). The creation and development of the two specialist societies has won him international acclaim, and he is still regarded as the reason they survived infancy. They have provided a platform for the international recognition he deserves and his links with American and European Societies have proved equally valuable to the UK.

Recently he has also been elected as a council member of the Age Anaesthesia Association and European Society of Regional Anaesthesia ( Great Britain and Ireland).

He plays an active part in the MSc in Evidence-Based-Anaesthesia, not surprisingly since he was one of the two instigators of this course. He successfully runs courses on presentation skills in the University of Teesside.

He is the lead for overseas doctors in the northern deanery for anaesthesia as well as being one of the members of the regional appraisal system for senior anaesthetic trainees. He is one of only a handful who are also on the assessment panel of these anaesthetists.