



## **STUART D. PATTERSON, MD, FAAOS, FRCSC**

I have a subspecialty practice confined to disorders of the adult and pediatric upper limb, including the shoulder, elbow, wrist and hand. This encompasses microsurgery, peripheral nerve surgery, carpal tunnel syndrome, tendon and ligament injuries, vascular disorders, replacement and reconstruction of the arthritic shoulder, elbow, wrist and hand joints, trauma and congenital hand surgery.

My office is located at Suite 112, 2000 East Edgewood Drive, Lakeland, FL 33803-3639. I am available to see patients Monday through Friday.  
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I completed my schooling in South Africa and entered the University of Cape Town Medical School in January 1976. After obtaining my MBChB (MD) degree in 1981, I began a one year rotating internship at the University of Natal, Durban, South Africa. Following my internship, I traveled and worked extensively overseas including 6 months in the Emergency Room at St. Bartholomews Hospital, London and 3 months as a General Surgical Intern at The Battle Hospital, Reading, England and 5 months as a family physician in Newfoundland, Canada. In July 1994, I returned to the University of Natal for a year as a surgical registrar (resident) in the Trauma Unit. In July 1995, I entered the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Programme, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. I obtained my Certification in Orthopaedic Surgery from the Royal College of Surgeons of Canada in 1989 and became an Upper Extremity Fellow with Dr. Robin Richards at St. Michaels Hospital, University of Toronto in July 1989. Following this year of training, I started a one year Hand and Microsurgery Fellowship at the University of South Florida and Shriners Hospital for Children, Tampa. In September 1991, I spent a month at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN, for specialized training in elbow surgery. In October 1991 I accepted a full time academic appointment at the University of Western Ontario, London, Canada, as an Assistant Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery in the Hand and Upper Limb Centre. I relocated to Polk County in January 1999. I am Board Certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery (1998). I have over 150 presentations at local, regional, national and international meetings. I have authored or co-authored more than thirty-five peer reviewed articles in prestigious orthopaedic surgery journals. I am a co-developer of elbow, shoulder and wrist prostheses, all of which are currently marketed internationally.

I am usually available to see patients either the same or next day for urgent problems. I am always available to you should you have a question regarding a patient. We accept most major insurance contracts, including, Medicare, United Health Care, Blue Cross, Cigna, BeechStreet, Heritage, auto liability and worker's compensation.