

Dr. George Athwal is originally from Vancouver, and completed his M.D. at the University of British Columbia. Following completion of his orthopaedic surgery residency at Queen's University, he spent 2 years sub-specializing in upper extremity reconstruction and trauma. Dr. Athwal completed a 1-year fellowship at the Hospital for Special Surgery, Cornell University, New York, NY. Following this, he completed 1-year at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN specializing in shoulder and elbow surgery. In 2005, he joined the Hand and Upper Limb Centre at the University of Western Ontario. He is actively involved in biomechanical and clinical research pertaining to the shoulder and elbow. Dr Athwal has been awarded the Dean's Award of Excellence for his research contributions to the Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry, the Clinician Scientist Award from the Department of Surgery, a Career Development Award from AMOSO and the H.S. Cameron Teaching Award. Additionally, he has represented the Canadian Orthopaedic Association as a North American Travelling Fellow and has also represented the American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons as a European Travelling Fellow. He has published over 200 scientific articles and 40 book chapters and is an Associate Editor for the Journal of Shoulder and Elbow Surgery and the Journal of Shoulder and Elbow Arthroplasty. Presently, he is the president of the Association of Clinical Elbow and Shoulder Surgeons (ACCESS). Furthermore, he has been recognized by his peers as a leader in shoulder surgery.

Dr. Athwal's elective practice involves all aspects of shoulder and elbow surgery, including primary & revision shoulder and elbow joint replacement, arthroscopic rotator cuff repair, instability surgery and arthroscopic elbow surgery. Dr. Athwal's trauma practice focuses on injuries involving the shoulder, elbow, and wrist.