



NATIONAL ORTHOPAEDIC ALLIANCE

As a founding member organisation of the National Orthopaedic Alliance (NOA), ROH is part of a multi-disciplinary network of orthopaedic providers leading on collaboration in orthopaedics. We play a key role in the alliance's success.

NOA benefits for ROH staff

All colleagues at ROH can attend NOA webinars, workshops, meetings, and events for free! Get the latest updates and find out about other member benefits on the NOA website: www.nationalorthopaedicalliance.co.uk

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NOA Unveils Strategy for 2024/2025

The NOA has recently unveiled its strategy and workplan for 2024/25 focused on optimising member organisations' approach to:

- Patient care
- People
- Productivity and
- Policy positioning

The strategy aims to align NOA's work with national health policy priorities and foster collaboration across multidisciplinary teams. The newly launched plan emphasises the role orthopaedics plays in delivering high quality patient care, recognising and celebrating the contributions of orthopaedic professionals, and driving efficiency and productivity enhancements within the field.

Over the past few months, feedback from colleagues at NOA member organisations, including ROH, has helped to shape the strategy which provides a clear vision for the NOA, bringing together clinical and non-clinical experts from both specialist and general orthopaedic trusts.

"With a general election on the horizon, it's important that we highlight the invaluable role orthopaedics plays in fostering a healthy and productive population, as well as deploying our collective, multidisciplinary expertise to tackle some of the biggest challenges facing orthopaedics today" said Alice Fabre, NOA Interim Programme Director.

Central to the NOA's agenda are initiatives that address key challenges in orthopaedic practice, including:

- Workforce dynamics
- Care pathways
- Research and innovation
- Performance and productivity

Through structured networks and collaborative platforms, the NOA aims to encourage informed discussions and innovative solutions. The alliance will work with network Chairs to find the best materials to support members in their efforts to achieve excellence in orthopaedics.

In addition to these initiatives, the NOA will continue hosting webinars, the NOA Annual Members' Conference, and NOA Excellence in Orthopaedic Awards as key milestones for knowledge exchange and recognition of excellence in the field.

The NOA invites colleagues from ROH to engage with the strategy and workplan to help drive meaningful change.

"The strength of the NOA lies in its diverse membership. Thanks to all members for their contributions so far, and we look forward to working together to achieve the NOA's vision in the coming year", concluded Alice.

If you are interested in getting more involved with the new NOA strategy and workplan as a network chair or contributor, please email info.noa@nhs.net.

We have upgraded one of our MRI machines - now quicker, more detailed scanning!



MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) is a type of scan that uses strong magnetic fields and radio waves to produce detailed images of the inside of the body and can be used to help diagnose conditions, plan treatments and assess how effective previous treatment has been.

The upgrade has maintained the original magnet technology but introduced new acceleration software to bring quicker, more detailed scanning meaning less time in the MRI for patients making for a more improved experience.

Sandra Milward, Head of Imaging at the Royal Orthopaedic Hospital, said: "The new MRI machine has made such a difference - we can treat more patients in less time, with better quality scanning all in a much brighter environment. Being in an MRI machine can be a little unsettling, so by speeding up the scanning we're making it a more comfortable experience for patients and we're able to see more patients in a shorter space of time helping us to maintain diagnostic targets."

The ROH is Veteran Aware

The Royal Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (ROH) has been accredited as Veteran Aware.

Veteran Aware accreditation means the ROH takes account of the needs of the Armed Forces community, which exceeds 500,000 across the West Midlands. The ROH joins other local NHS trusts, University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust (UHB) and Birmingham & Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust (BSMHT), in committing to support the needs of the Armed Forces community.

Jo Williams, Chief Executive at the ROH said: "We are thrilled to achieve the Veteran Aware accreditation. We commit to providing the best standards of care and support to the armed forces community, and gaining this accreditation means that colleagues and patients can have confidence we can meet their needs and provide appropriate support. I'm so proud of the ROH team for the work they have done and continue to do."

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