

# Anthony Gleeson

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Born and brought up in Co. Clare on the West Coast of Ireland, **Dr Tony Gleeson** qualified as a doctor from University College Cork in 1997. Having completing basic surgical training in Dublin, Tony pursued a career in Emergency Medicine, working in a number of specialties in Dublin (including pre-hospital care with the Eastern Regional Ambulance Service and Dublin Fire Brigade) before coming to Manchester in 2004 to complete his emergency medicine higher specialist training.

Tony was appointed Consultant in Emergency Medicine at Salford Royal in 2008 and has undertaken the role as clinical lead for emergency planning for the Trust since 2010. He developed the SRFT major incident and CBRNe plans and sits on the Salford Care Organisation and the Northern Care Alliance Resilience Boards.

He was part of the initial group of doctors appointed as a MERIT doctor with the Northwest Ambulance service in 2014, combining his interests in pre-hospital care with major incident management. Tony was the medical adviser at the scene of the Manchester Arena bombing in 2017. He is also involved in sports medicine allowing him to combine his lifelong interest in rugby with medicine.

At a regional level, Tony sits on the Local Health Resilience Partnership (LHRP) Board and the Greater Manchester Acute Group (GMAG) and was involved in the development and introduction of the Greater Manchester Mass Casualty Plan and the Casualty Distribution Plan. He has also been involved in the planning and exercising of a number of regional major incident exercises.

Passionate about teaching, Tony has been involved in delivering pre-hospital and hospital major incident courses worldwide and has been part of the editorial board for the major incident medical management and support course and contributed the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> editions of the manual and course development. In 2021 Tony took over the role of chairman of the MIMMS pre-hospital working group and was instrumental in development of the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the MIMMS manual and course. Tony has also contributed to textbooks and original articles. He has been involved in the development of a number of life support courses and continues to teach actively.