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Chris Vallis was Consultant Paediatric Anaesthetist based at the Royal Victoria Infirmary in Newcastle upon Tyne. He started work there in 1986, working in anaesthesia and paediatric intensive care. He has now retired.

He was at medical school in London and did all his postgraduate training in the Thames regions.

His first research interest as a junior doctor was in the force needed for external cardiac massage, over 30 years ago going to Norway to meet Asmund Laerdal to discuss the design, in particular the compliance, of Skillmeter Resusci-Annes. While a senior registrar in London he was medical officer for the river police.

After moving to Newcastle he held several posts in the educational field including Deputy Director of the Primary FRCA examination of the Royal College of Anaesthetists. For some years he was Medical Director of the Great North Run, one of the largest participatory sporting events. He is a director of Home Group, one of the UK's larger housing associations.

He was until recently a member of the APLS International Working Group but withdrew from that following his retirement from clinical work. He has taught widely on GIC courses, both in the UK and abroad, particularly in the Far East. He is an ALSG Trustee.