



### OUR DOCTORS

#### **Dr Christopher Jardim**

BSc, MBBS, FRACS (Plast.)

Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeon



**North Lakes Day Hospital proudly welcomes Dr Christopher Jardim.**

***“Every day and every patient present a different set of problems for me to solve and this remains intriguing to me. A deep interaction with my patients is a necessity so as we can figure out the most functional solution that allows them to continue interacting with their world, their environment, and indeed within their own life in an optimal way.”***

Dr Jardim holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Sydney and Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery from University of Queensland. He is a Fellow and member of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (FRACS) as well as the Australian Society of Plastic Surgery (ASPS) and Australian Hand Surgery Society.

Dr Jardim joins Valley Plastic Surgery with a wide range of surgical skills but is particularly interested in reconstructive and peripheral nerve microsurgery, hand and wrist trauma, skin cancer and head and neck reconstruction.

He was initially drawn to pursuing a career as a surgeon after seeing the “The Guinea Pig Club,” a documentary about Dr Archibald McIndoe, a New Zealand plastic surgeon who, during WWII, worked for the Royal Air Force (RAF) and completely reshaped the lives of hundreds of men and the very course of plastic surgery through his pioneering plastic surgery techniques.

***“I chose a career in plastic surgery because the notion of developing such a wide range of technical skills to treat such a diverse set of conditions was highly appealing.”***

Dr Jardim honed his skills with an Orthopaedic fellowship with the Brisbane Hand and Upper Limb team at the Princess Alexandra Hospital and he remains as a staff specialist in the Hand Unit and Plastic and Reconstructive Unit at the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital.

His keen aesthetic judgment and diverse technical skills ensure that the choice of procedures and their performance are optimised for each patient. His surgical philosophy is simple: to combine form and function in tandem with an excellent patient relationship to create the optimum outcome.

Outside of his busy practice, Chris and his wife – who is also a surgeon - enjoys spending as much time as possible with his young family.

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