

# EXPANDING CLUBFOOT TREATMENT WEBINAR SERIES REPORT 2022



Clubfoot Africa  
Education

This webinar series provided an opportunity to discuss the latest studies and knowledge on key aspects of clubfoot treatment. There were three webinars:

**23 November and 7 December 2021 and 25 January 2022.**

Expanding Clubfoot Treatment  
Webinar Series

**2021/22**

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## DURATION:

90 minutes  
per webinar

## FORMAT:

Each webinar in the series had a Keynote talk, followed by a Global Panel Discussion of the topic, and a live Q&A session.

## 3 CPD Points

Continuing Professional Development Points approved by Wits Health Consortium for South African registered health professionals who attended all 3 webinar sessions.

UK CPD Points: Approved

## Recordings

Recordings of the webinars are available online to watch on demand.

### Webinar 1

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### Webinar 2

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### Webinar 3

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## Summary of Webinar Series Content

### Webinar 1: Treating atypical and complex clubfoot

Dr Ponseti only encountered atypical and complex clubfeet many years after he developed his method. He produced a video at the University of Iowa Children's Hospital with an adapted treatment protocol for atypical clubfoot. This webinar will explore the treatment protocols for both.

### Webinar 2: The role of Allied Health Workers and the benefit for expanding clubfoot treatment

At the time Dr Ponseti was developing his method, clubfoot was mostly treated by orthopaedic surgeons. With the introduction of a less invasive treatment for congenital clubfoot, the role of allied health professionals became a vitally important addition to clubfoot services. This is especially relevant for countries with resource constraints where there may be a shortage of doctors. It can also reduce treatment costs for government programmes globally. There are already many allied health professionals practicing Ponseti, and this webinar aims to discuss their role.

### Webinar 3: Clubfoot treatment for the older child with untreated and recurrent clubfoot incorporating the Ponseti Method

Dr Ponseti developed his protocol for infants. However, there were doctors who were faced with much older children once they established the Ponseti method in their country in the early 21st century. These doctors were the first to try the Ponseti method on much older children. There is still a problem of many untreated cases globally which is due to lack of awareness about clubfoot, or lack of means to provide or access treatment. There are also recurrent cases of clubfoot in older children globally that need repeat treatment. This webinar discusses the latest thinking on clubfoot treatment for the older child.

## Medical Faculty

Dr Alaric Aroojis (India)  
Dr Naomi Davis (UK)  
Dr Matthew Dobbs (USA)  
Prof Jacques du Toit (South Africa)  
Dr Greg Firth (UK)  
Dr Anria Horn (South Africa)  
Dr Pieter Maré (South Africa)  
Dr Isidor Ngayomela (Tanzania)  
Dr Monica Paschoal Nogueira (Brazil)  
Dr Timothy Nunn (Ethiopia)  
Dr Shafique Pirani (Canada)  
Dr Yammesh Ramguthy (South Africa)  
Dr Kobus Smit (South Africa)  
Dr Mari Thiart (South Africa)  
Dr Mathew Varghese (India)  
Denise Watson-Tann (UK)

## Beneficiaries

- Children born with clubfoot. With a focus on resource restricted settings.
- Health care professionals treating clubfoot or working in paediatrics.
- The clubfoot care community, non-profit organisations, academics, parents and government programmes.

## Follow up

- Webinar recordings were added to Vimeo for viewing on request.
- CPD points approval is ongoing. Following viewing of the recordings, South African health professionals are sent an assessment form to complete and earn their CPD points.



## 45 Countries Registered

Angola	Democratic Republic of Congo	Indonesia	Mauritius	Philippines	Tanzania
Argentina	Denmark	Iraq	Mozambique	Poland	Thailand
Australia	Ecuador	Ireland	Namibia	Rwanda	Uganda
Bangladesh	Ethiopia	Italy	Netherlands	Saudi Arabia	United Kingdom
Botswana	Haiti	Kenya	Nigeria	Senegal	USA
Brazil	Honduras	Liberia	North Macedonia	Somalia	Zambia
Burundi	India	Madagascar	Pakistan	South Africa	Zimbabwe
		Malaysia	Palestinian Territories	Sweden	



**470 Registered Delegates**



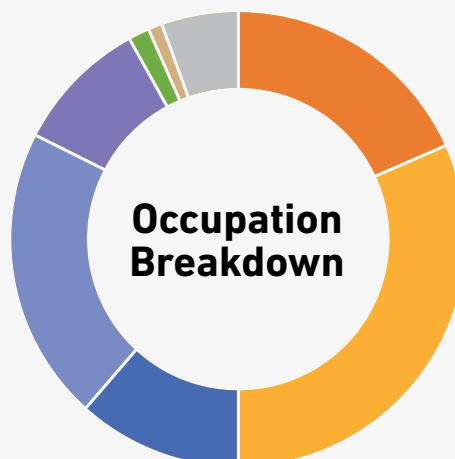
**81 Live Q&A Questions Asked During The Series**

## Live Attendance

Note: Actual live attendance figure is higher as some registered attendees watched in groups of 2 or more, estimated at 450+



82	Allied Health Professional
141	Physiotherapist
54	Occupational Therapist
94	Doctor
43	NPO / Programme
6	Academic
4	Parent
25	Trade



**33 South African delegates awarded CPD points for attending all 3 live webinars**

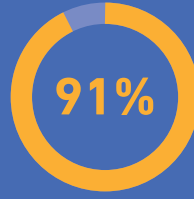
## Webinar 1 Feedback



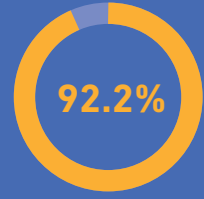
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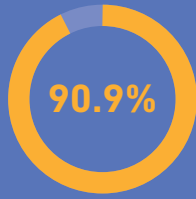


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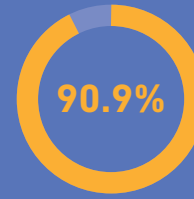
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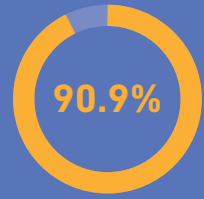
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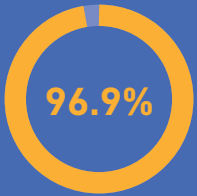


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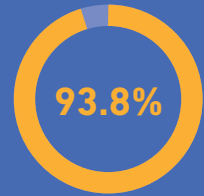
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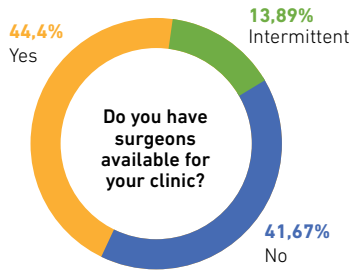
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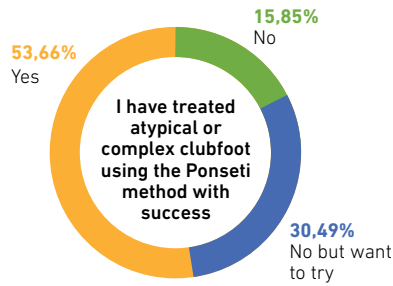
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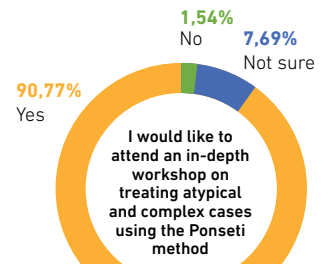
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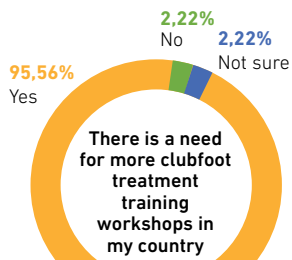


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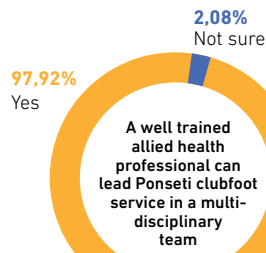


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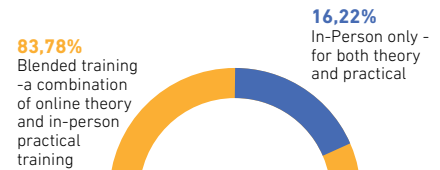
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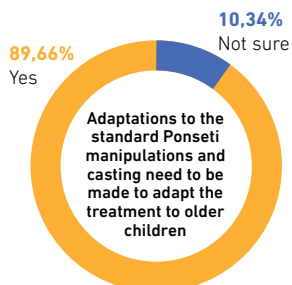


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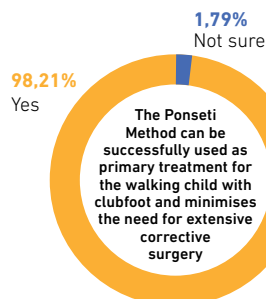


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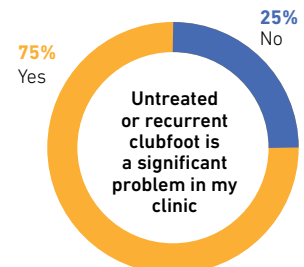
## Webinar 3 Poll Results



Poll 7



Poll 8



Poll 9





## Feedback From Delegates

*"It was well presented and of a high standard. I enjoyed it and learnt a lot. Wish I had known more about atypical and complex clubfoot and its clinical evaluation before."*

*"I appreciated the clarifying distinction between atypical and complex clubfoot. Unfortunately, in the literature, these terms are often used as if they were synonyms. I agree that they are two different entities and it is important to keep apart during the treatment. Thank You!"*

*"His presentation has helped to be more confident in managing clubfoot with complications."*

*"A great session very insightful."*

*"The presentation was very nice and captured everything concerning complex and atypical clubfoot ....my suggestion is we should always keep reminding everyone concerned in management of clubfoot on sharpening the knowledge and experience by sharing what we discover or know so that everyone will have equal awareness on the management."*

*"Very interesting and informative when you listen to different people from different regions and how they approach treatment for the same condition."*

*"Grateful for the shared knowledge."*

*"Before I used to refuse relapsed cases of complex clubfoot but I think I can manage very well now."*

*"I liked the aspects of treatment approach and different experiences from different countries (Tanzania). All panellists added value to the discussion."*

*"Very interesting and diverse discussion."*

*"I was well informed, several questions were answered and I got clear explanations for those."*

*"Dr. Dobbs' teaching helped confirm for me some things we are doing here with our medical director in the clubfoot clinics in Honduras."*

*"The world (stakeholders, medical personnel) wish to have a world that is clubfoot free. To achieve that more education concerning clubfoot to the society and medical personnel is important. Also I congratulate Steps for their valuable contributions of knowledge and every support for helping these children."*

*"I really appreciated that I was able to learn many important things in less time about Clubfoot."*

*"The information was both experience and research based. Most appropriate."*

