



P. RONJON PAUL, MD

Board Certified

Orthopaedic Spinal Surgery

Dr. Paul brings a well-known reputation for excellent outcomes and leading-edge experience to DuPage Medical Group. Board certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery, Dr. Paul's philosophy is highly conservative. With a national reputation, Dr. Paul attracts patients throughout Chicagoland, across the country and even some from as far away as China and Taiwan. Dr. Paul is a well-known expert in the field of minimally invasive spine surgery and has taught more than 200 surgeons throughout his career. He has been invited to speak and assist in surgery in the United Kingdom, Australia and Africa. Dr. Paul was recently awarded the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy Board of Trustee's Distinguished Leadership Award for Leadership in the field of spine surgery. He has published his findings in major medical journals and presented at many national and regional medical conferences.

Dr. Paul takes pride in his ability to understand and relate to his patients. He goes to great lengths to inform patients in a way that is clear and concise. The trust and confidence patients place in him, as well as positive outcomes, have made him popular among patients. He is the only spine surgeon in DuPage County to have received the 2011 Vitals Patients' Choice Award. Dr. Paul is a member of the Charter Class of the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy.

His medical training includes medical school at the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine. He also completed an orthopaedic surgery residency at the University of Chicago Hospitals with a heavy emphasis on spine. As a result of his clinical skill, dedication and research awards, he was selected for one of the nation's top spine surgery fellowships at the University of Wisconsin Hospitals.

Dr. Paul serves as chair of the Spinal Surgery Section at Edward Hospital and is medical director of The Spine Center of DuPage Medical Group. He is also a member of the North American Spine Society, American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, a teaching member for the Society of Lateral Access Surgery and a charter member of the Lumbar Spine Research Society. He is affiliated with Edward Hospital.

Despite Dr. Paul's busy clinical and administrative duties, he engages in a highly active lifestyle. His interests include a year round regimen of strength and stamina training including cycling and skiing. His professional and personal interests revolve around the same values by which he cares for his young family and patients.

To schedule an appointment, please call 630-967-2225.

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RECENT LECTURES/TEACHING

Kenya Orthopaedic Association Quarterly Grand Rounds, Nairobi Kenya

Visiting Lecturer

Complex Minimally Invasive Revision Strategies in Lumbar Surgery

September 20, 2013

Posterior Lumbar Minimally Invasive Course, San Diego, CA

Course Faculty

October 12, 2011

XLIF Training Course, San Diego, CA

Course Faculty

September 23, 2011

Spine Society of Australia, Annual Meeting, Melbourne, Australia

Technical Considerations in Lateral Access Surgery, April 14, 2011

Restoration of Lumbar Lordosis Using Minimally Invasive Techniques, April 15, 2011

Visiting Surgeon/Instructor - Gold Coast Hospital, Australia

April 18, 2011

Visiting Surgeon/Instructor - Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital, Brisbane, Australia

April 19, 2011

HONORS & RECOGNITION

Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy Board of Trustees Alumni Leadership Award, 2011

Best Rated Orthopaedic Surgeon, Illinois - Ratemd.com, 2012, 2013

Patient's Choice Award - Vitals.com, 2012

Compassionate Doctor Recognition - Vitals.com, 2012

RESEARCH

PR Paul, L Juckem, TP Ngo, A Loomis, P Anderson: *Non-Viral Mediated Transfection of Human Cervical Disc Chondrocytes*, Presented at Cervical Spine Research Society, December 2003

PR Paul, RC Haydon, HN Nenadovich, Ton-Chuan He and Frank M. Phillips: *The SOX9 Gene as Potential Therapy for Intervertebral Degenerative Disc Disease*. Presented at AOA, Victoria BC, June 2002

PR Paul, RC Haydon, HN Nenadovich, B Breyer, P Gupta, Ton-Chuan He and Frank M. Phillips: *Potential Use of SOX9 Gene Therapy for Intervertebral Degenerative Disc Disease*. Presented at AOA Residents' Conference, Memphis, TN, April 13, 2002

PUBLICATIONS

PR Paul, MD, RC Haydon, MD, PhD, H Cheng, MD, PhD, A Ishikawa, MD, PhD, NS
Spine Surgeon Leader to Know: Becker's Spine Review, July 19, 2012