



## Bournemouth Heart Club

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### **Dr. Adrian Rozkovec hands over to Dr. Vivek Kodoth as the President of Bournemouth Heart Club.**

**Dr. Adrian Rozkovec, Senior Cardiologist at the Royal Bournemouth Hospital, Founder and current President of the Bournemouth Heart Club, (an independent charity and centre situated in the grounds of the Royal Bournemouth Hospital), hands over the reins of the Club after 28 years as President to Dr. Vivek Kodoth**

**Dr. Rozkovec** said how delighted he was by **Dr. Kodoth's** commitment to the Club: "he will continue to add strength and confidence to those in need of Health Checks for cardiovascular prevention, as well as the many who wish to continue their recovery from heart attacks and heart surgery in a safe, friendly and professional environment." The Bournemouth Heart Club was founded by **Dr. Adrian Rozkovec** in 1991. Since then it has developed from offering basic cardiac rehabilitation to a multi operational club that has grown to almost 1500 members. Cardio-aerobic exercise and lifestyle education are provided by fully trained specialists, and available six days a week in two purpose-built gyms.

**Dr. Rozkovec** was appointed a Consultant Cardiologist in 1988 and was Cardiac Lead of the Dorset Heart Centre till 2012. **Dr. Rozkovec** is the recipient of a National Award for developing and leading the cardiac services locally. He has been a member of the European Heart Rhythm Association Certification Committee for Cardiac Pacing and was a member of the European Society of Cardiology Task Force for training and accreditation in lead extraction. His research on Pathophysiology and Natural History of Pulmonary Hypertension (awarded MD by the University of London 1987). He is responsible for Peer-reviewed publications on pulmonary hypertension, haemodynamics, heart failure and pacing.

**Dr. Vivek Kodoth**, a consultant interventional cardiologist at the Royal Bournemouth and Christchurch Hospital said, "I am delighted to have this opportunity to continue the great work carried out by the Club with Dr Rozkovec's support. The Club aspires to reducing the demand for hospital admission and treatment by offering preventative care to those that have not as yet had a cardiac event, in addition to those who have."

**Dr Vivek Kodoth's** sub-speciality interest is coronary intervention (Stent procedure). **Dr. Kodoth** trained in cardiology in Belfast, Northern Ireland and further specialised in coronary intervention after two years of complex coronary intervention fellowship. He was awarded MD from the Queens University, Belfast and he is a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians. He is a member of British Cardiac Interventional Society. After his fellowship, he was appointed as a consultant cardiologist with a special interest in complex coronary intervention to the Leeds Teaching Hospital, Leeds. Whilst working in Leeds General Infirmary he was one of the highest volume coronary interventionist in the United Kingdom. Moreover, he is an honorary senior lecturer at the Leeds Medical School. Dr Kodoth, relocated to Bournemouth in 2018, after he was appointed as a consultant cardiologist at the Royal Bournemouth Hospital. He has published extensively in national and international peer-reviewed journals.

**Nick Morgan, Chairman** of the Bournemouth Heart Club, said "Since the founding of the Bournemouth Heart Club in 1991 so many lives have been improved by the activities created as a result of **Dr. Rozkovec's** vision and drive to create a very unique setting for patients recovering from heart related illness. I am sure that I speak for the Club's Members when I say that we owe **Dr. Rozkovec** so much for establishing the Bournemouth Heart Club."