

PROF. DR. TOM CHERIAN

Senior Consultant :- Liver Transplant Surgery

Qualification

MBBS | FRCS (G Surg) | FRCS (I-Collegiate) | CCST (UK) | Transplant Fellowship, King's College Hospital, London

Overview

Dr. Tom Cherian is a globally trained liver transplant surgeon in Vijayawada with over 17 years of advanced surgical training and experience in the United Kingdom. He is currently practising as a Senior Consultant – Liver Transplant Surgery at Manipal Hospital Vijayawada, with specialised expertise in complex liver transplantation, including split, domino, auxiliary, and paediatric liver transplant techniques. Following his MBBS, he underwent three years of basic surgical training in the UK, earning his FRCS (General Surgery equivalent). He was subsequently selected for Higher Specialist Training in Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary (HPB) and Transplant Surgery at Birmingham, one of Europe’s largest liver transplant centres at the time. There, he obtained his sub-speciality FRCS (MCh equivalent). In 2008, he received his Certificate of Completion of Specialist Training (CCT) in London. His cumulative surgical journey in the UK spanned 17 years, including 10 years at two of the world’s top five liver hospitals. After completing specialist training, he served for five years as a senior surgeon in London where he continued his extensive training in liver transplantation and hepatobiliary excellence. His clinical work

encompassed technically demanding procedures such as split liver transplantation, domino transplantation, and auxiliary liver transplantation, areas that require meticulous operative planning and refined vascular reconstruction skills. Dr. Tom Cherian contributed significantly to advancing liver transplantation services. He set up and performed the first ten liver transplants and the first living donor liver transplant in Andhra Pradesh. In 2015, he conducted the first successful split liver transplant in the combined Andhra States in Hyderabad. His innovation in paediatric liver transplantation was published internationally, reflecting both surgical refinement and research contribution. His work places him among the best liver transplant surgeons in Vijayawada for complex and high-risk transplant procedures. Beyond operative expertise, his academic and leadership contributions are substantial. He has published 84 papers and abstracts and delivered over 100 international presentations. He has been a British Journal of Surgery Prize paper session speaker and an invited international faculty member in more than 12 countries, including the USA, Stockholm, Paris, and Austria. He has received eight travel grants and bursaries in the UK and served as Clinical Tutor and MD Examiner at Università di Pisa, Italy. He is a member of the Registry Committee of the International Liver Laparoscopic Society (ILLS), Paris (2017). As Founder and Managing Trustee of The Liver Foundation, he supports charitable initiatives in liver care. He is also the Founder and Chief Editor of LIVERIMAGE, a web-based platform enabling knowledge exchange among internationally reputed liver surgeons. His surgical depth, international exposure, and structured transplant protocols establish him among the best liver transplant surgeons in Vijayawada for advanced and complex liver transplant care.

Field of Expertise

- Liver Transplantations

- Liver Cirrhosis Treatment
- Fatty Liver Treatment
- Liver Cancer Treatment
- Gallbladder Cancer Treatment
- Pancreas Cancer Treatment
- Non Surgical Treatment for Liver Disorders

Languages Spoken

- English
- Telugu
- Hindi
- Malayalam

Awards & Achievements

- 1st Split Liver Transplant in Combined Andhra States
- Senior Advisor, Liver Transplantation — Telangana State
- Course Director — LIVER SURGERY IN PRACTICE, Mumbai
- Performed 2 Liver Transplants in 2 Cities in 1 Day
- "Legend in Liver Transplant Surgery" — Times of India
- Introduces ERAS to India