

Mr Sumit Goyal, Consultant Breast and Oncoplastic Surgeon, Cardiff and the Vale University Health Board has been awarded an MBE in the recent Queen's Birthday Honours List.

Sumit has been recognised for his exceptional contribution to Breast Cancer Services and the Cardiff Breast Centre Charity.

He trained in India at the prestigious All India Institute of medical sciences, New Delhi and moved to the UK in 1995. After completing his specialist training in Wales, he was appointed as a consultant in 2003. He became the lead for the Breast Services in 2006, a position he held for 10 years. His passion and enthusiasm to improve the quality of the breast services saw him getting approval for a purpose built Breast Centre at the Llandough site. The centre was built around the comments from patients and staff, lessons learned from visiting other centres with a view to provide high quality care for the patient and high satisfaction for staff. The centre opened its doors in October 2010 and brought breast services under one roof and established the One Stop Breast Clinic.

Sumit had the foresight to improve the patient care even further, and to this end in 2010 he established the Cardiff Breast Centre Charity, that has raised over £750,000, money that has been used to improve the care of breast cancer patients to provide them with holistic care. The breast cancer patients benefit from free complimentary therapy to patients, pamper evenings, specialised undergarments after breast cancer surgery, to name a few, all provided by the funds raised for the breast centre charity.

Sumit's comments on the award of MBE in Queen's birthday Honours list:

I am humbled and honoured and at the same time ecstatic to receive this award. I would like to thank the wonderful and passionate team at the Llandough Breast Centre, who work tirelessly to provide amazing care to the patients, our fundraising team, the patients and volunteers, who have selflessly raised money for our good cause. One person that I cannot thank enough is my wife, Raina, without whose support I would not have been able to devote the time and effort needed for my endeavor.



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