



### **Dr Mike McKean**

I have been a consultant in respiratory paediatrics for 16 years working in Newcastle, latterly at the new Great North Children's Hospital. Prior to that I had the opportunity of working in the midlands under the great tutelage of Professor Mike Silverman and gained my research MD degree in a study of the biological mechanisms of episodic virus induced wheezing. As a consultant, I have maintained an interest in wheezing disorders and now co-lead the GNCH regional severe asthma clinic along with my colleague Dr Samantha Moss. I am a great believer that teaching and training are essential to developing good health professionals and the systems that support our work and are also crucial to the joint working we do with children and parents. I have held many different educational leadership roles within our trust and across the region and for the last 4 years have now had the pleasure of being Clinical Director for children's services in our hospital.