

Dr David Sofield *M.B.B.S., FRCSE, FRACS (Urol)* Reconstructive Urological Surgeon, St John of God Subiaco Hospital; and Founding Principal, Perth Reconstructive Urology, *PERTH*

Dr David Sofield is a Urological Surgeon specialising in Urological Cancer and Reconstructive Surgery, and the founding Principal of Perth Reconstructive Urology.

Dr Sofield practices in both private and public hospitals. He performs a full range of urological reconstructive procedures, and focuses on erectile dysfunction (ED) – a common urological problem¹ involving the inability to achieve, and maintain a sufficient erection for sexual activity^{2,3} – using prosthetic implants – designed to be a permanent, long-term solution⁴ implanted into the penis, offering concealed support for an erection.^{5,6}

He also performs kidney and prostate cancer surgery, specifically robotic-assisted laparoscopic surgery, including robotic radical prostatectomy, robotic partial nephrectomy, and laparoscopic radical nephrectomy.

A member of the Genitourinary Reconstructive Surgery Society (GURS), Dr Sofield presents regularly at international conferences; actively trains fellow consultants and trainees in reconstructive urology; and makes professional overseas visits to India, Indonesia and the USA, respectively.

Dr Sofield completed his Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (M.B.B.S.) at the University of Western Australia (UWA) Medical School in 1992, and attained his Fellowship in Vascular and General Surgery in Portsmouth, England. He continued his urology training, completing a dual Fellowship in Reconstructive and Laparoscopic Oncological Surgery in 2003 in Birmingham, England.

After returning to Western Australia, Dr Sofield established Perth Reconstructive Urology – Australia's first comprehensive, centralised service for the management of penile cancer.

Dr Sofield has presented at the American Urological Association (AUA) annual meeting on preservation techniques in penile cancer, and co-authored multiple publications in the area.

"ED affects most men undergoing treatment for prostate cancer to some degree and is associated with very significant reduction in quality of life.

"A multidisciplinary approach is essential and can bring excellent results. Surgery restores essential spontaneity and control for men in whom more conservative options have failed," said Dr Sofield.

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