

## FURTHER INFORMATION

Nobelpharma would be happy to provide any patient-orientated literature concerning BAHA for any GP who may have patients suitable for this device.

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For interested readers there is an excellent article on the subject:

Ten years of experience with the Swedish Bone-Anchored Hearing Aid *Annals of Otology, Rhinology and Laryngology* 1990;99(2):910

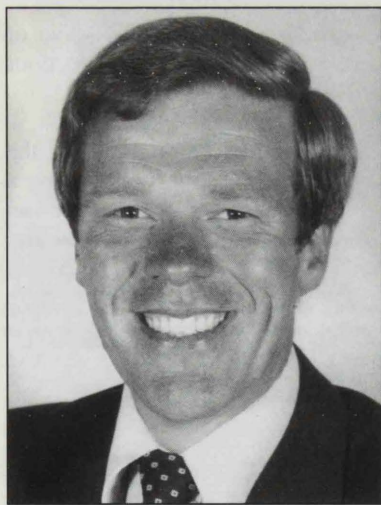
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Consultant Anaesthetist, Lancaster and Kendal Hospitals 1981-1995



Phil Allen was appointed a consultant anaesthetist to the Lancaster and Kendal hospitals in 1981 where he worked until his untimely death on April 23rd 1995 aged 47. He had been a senior registrar on the Plymouth/Bristol rotation and quickly settled into this area.

Phil was a dedicated colleague who demonstrated in his daily work a profound love of his profession. He was a skilled anaesthetist, equally at home in the routine theatre lists as the serious and difficult emergency cases. He was utterly dependable in a tight spot, knowledgeable, eagle-eyed, confident of his skills and proud of his ability. He transmitted all this to the many trainee anaesthetists whom he loved to teach. Teaching was, for him, an affirmation of his love of anaesthetics. It was never a chore and many anaesthetists have cause to be thankful to Phil for his instruction.

One facet of his work which has become widely known was the development of a chronic pain relief service. He saw the need and acted to improve matters. Not only did he provide the service itself, but he lobbied at local and regional level for improvements throughout the region. Together with Andy Vickers, he set up the North West Acute Pain Group, the first of six groups in England which followed his example. He organised the

first National Pain Conference in February this year and would have arranged another meeting in 1997. Alongside this, he was the Clinical Director of Theatres, a demanding post calling for tact and diplomacy, attributes he had in plenty. It is not hard to be successful when you are so well respected by your colleagues and any number of patients will attest to his kindness, his concern for their wellbeing and his dedication to their needs.

Phil was good fun at all times, especially at the end of a working day when it was time for a pint. He laughed at himself and his weaknesses, especially his occasional outbursts of temper. He loved to talk but he never delayed committee work with unnecessary matters. He held his opinions strongly, was forthright in stating them but was always flexible in his approach to problems, a natural and able leader.

We are truly lucky to have known Phil, to have had the benefit of his company and of his professional skills for the past fourteen years. We extend our deepest sympathy to his wife Gill and his three sons Alex, Tim and David, and to his mother, and in doing so, hope that they will know how highly we regarded Phil and his work. He was a fine man, a cherished colleague and an exemplary doctor.