

## MultiCare Orthopedic Trauma

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| <p><b>Who can be referred?</b></p>  | <p>Dr. Burns Elective Practice -Ages: 6 and up, referrals required</p>  |
| <p><b>Location</b><br/>Where will the patient be seen?</p>                    | <p><b>MultiCare Orthopedics &amp; Sports Medicine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tacoma General: 315 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Third Floor (Philip Pavilion), Tacoma, WA 98405</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>Services</b><br/>What clinical services and procedures are offered?</p> | <p><b>Dr. Richman &amp; Dr. Burns</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upper extremity fracture repair (excluding hand)</li> <li>Lower extremity fracture repair</li> <li>Pelvis &amp; acetabular fracture repair</li> <li>Fracture non-unions</li> <li>Complex articular fractures</li> </ul> <p><b>Dr. Burns Elective Practice</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Major tendon repairs (Achilles, distal biceps, patella, quadriceps)</li> <li>Mal-union and non-union repair</li> <li>Bone defect treatment</li> <li>Recurrent patella instability</li> <li>Fracture-related infection, osteomyelitis</li> <li>Limb salvage &amp; reconstruction</li> <li>Deformity corrections (congenital/acquired)             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Knock knee, bow leg, rotational deformity</li> <li>Limb length discrepancies (upper/lower)</li> <li>Guided growth techniques</li> <li>In toeing, out toeing</li> </ul> </li> <li>Joint preservation (osteotomies, distraction techniques)</li> <li>Arthrodesis (joint fusion)</li> <li>External fixator reconstruction (Hexapod/Ilizarov)</li> <li>Stature lengthening</li> <li>Lower extremity joint contracture treatment</li> <li>Osseointegration amputation reconstructions (non-vascular amputees)</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>Collaboration</b><br/>How will we coordinate care for the patient?</p>  | <p>Our team uses the Epic electronic health record (EHR).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For physicians and providers using Epic, you'll be copied on all notes related to the patient.</li> <li>For physicians and providers outside Epic, notes will be faxed to you.</li> <li>We have a centralized scheduling team at 253-792-6555. Providers can call to leave a message for a provider or inbasket messages in Epic.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>Referral</b><br/>How do we refer?</p>                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Epic users may refer to: REF 032 ORTHO SURGERY</li> <li>Outside referrals, call 253-792-6555 or fax 253-864-2904</li> <li>Most insurance plans accepted. Prior authorization needed for TriCare, United Healthcare NPN and US Family Health plans.</li> </ul>  |

## Meet our specialists



### David Burns, MD

**Clinic location:** Tacoma General

**Board certification:** American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery - Board Eligible; Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Canada

**Special interests:** orthopedic surgeon with dual fellowship training in orthopedic trauma and complex limb reconstruction. He specializes in the treatment of fractures, post-traumatic reconstruction, limb salvage, deformity correction, limb lengthening, and limb replacement surgery.



### James Richman, MD

**Clinic location:** Tacoma General

**Special interests:** Pelvis and acetabulum fractures, Complex articular fractures, Fracture nonunions, Long bone fractures

### Danielle Peterson - onboarding Oct 2025

**Clinic location:** Tacoma General

### Trauma APPs

- Abigail Browne, PA-C
- Christopher Hunter, ARNP
- Hannah Merrell, PA-C
- Kari Ayres, PA-C
- Christina Merryman, ARNP
- Michael Miller, PA-C