

## **Dr. Norgrove Penny**

*Paediatric Orthopaedic Surgeon*

Dr. Penny completed his medical degree at the University of Alberta in 1973 and qualified as an orthopaedic specialist in 1977. He then did postgraduate fellowship training in sports medicine at the Wellesley Hospital, University of Toronto; Children's orthopedics and Sports Medicine at the Children's Hospital Medical Center, Harvard University, Boston; and Children's Orthopedics at the AI du Pont Institute, Thomas Jefferson University, Wilmington Delaware. He has a paediatric orthopaedic surgery and sports medicine practice in Victoria, BC, Canada. He is an active member of the Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America.

Dr. Penny has had a long term interest in international orthopedics. Early in his career he did several volunteer assignments in Africa. With his family, he then lived and worked full time for six years in Uganda setting up a country-wide children's orthopedic rehabilitation program. The operating base that Dr. Penny began in 1996 has since grown into a free-standing 80-bed paediatric orthopedic hospital and rehabilitation center with six operating rooms performing almost 5000 orthopaedic and plastic reconstructive procedures annually. Using this experience, he now consults in developing countries around the world and has a part-time position as Advisor for Physical Impairment issues for a non-governmental organization, CBM International, concerned with the problems disabled people face in some of the world's poorest countries. He has been an advisor to the World Health Organization's Disability and Rehabilitation Team. Among his clinical and research interests are the Ponseti treatment for babies and children with clubfoot deformity, structural birth defects, chronic osteomyelitis, and prevention of childhood disability in developing countries. With CBM he has a research collaboration with the International Center for Evidence in Disability at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. He has authored chapters in texts on children's surgery in austere environments, and is a member of the Global Initiative for Children's Surgery and the Global Clubfoot Initiative. Dr. Penny is a fellow and an examiner for the College of Surgeons of East, Central and Southern Africa.

Dr. Penny is a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of British Columbia where he holds a position as a faculty member in the Branch for International Surgery, teaching a graduate course on global surgery.

In 2007 he was made a member of the Order of Canada, Canada's highest civilian honor, recognizing his contributions to global humanitarian work.