

Samuel Clifton Willimon, M.D.

Dr. Cliff Willimon is a board certified orthopaedic surgeon at Children's Orthopaedics of Atlanta. He specializes in disorders of the knee, hip, shoulder and elbow including complex knee reconstructions and hip arthroscopy.

Dr. Willimon is a native of LaGrange, Georgia. He graduated summa cum laude from Wofford College in 2001, where he was distinguished with selection to the Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society and was a member of both the student government and judicial commission. He completed Emory University School of Medicine in 2005, where he was named to the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society and selected as president while a senior medical student.

Dr. Willimon completed his orthopaedic residency at Duke University Medical Center in 2010 having served as a Chief Resident. While at Duke, he was as a resident team physician for Duke University Athletics, North Carolina Central University, and Hillside High school.

From 2010-2011, Dr. Willimon pursued further specialized training at the prestigious Steadman Clinic and Steadman Philippon Research Institute in Vail, Colorado. He trained under leaders in sports medicine, including Doctors Marc Philippon, Richard Steadman, Peter Millett, Robert LaPrade, and William Sterett. During this fellowship, Dr. Willimon learned advanced arthroscopic and reconstructive surgical techniques for the treatment of complex disorders of the hip, knee, and shoulder as well as all sports-related injuries. Here Dr. Willimon cared for professional athletes from the NFL, MLB, NHL, ATP/WTA, and PGA tours in addition to treating collegiate, high school, and recreational athletes. He served as the team physician for the US Women's Alpine Team at the Audi FIS Ski World Cup Competition in St. Moritz, Switzerland, and was a medical provider for the Audi Bird's of Prey World Cup Ski Race in Beaver Creek, Colorado, and the Dew Tour Ski and Snowboard Competition in Breckenridge, Colorado.

Currently, Dr. Willimon is the Medical Director for Orthopaedic Quality and Outcomes at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Throughout his training, Dr. Willimon has performed orthopaedic research. He collaborates with Georgia Tech for cartilage research as well as conducts performance outcomes research. He has been published in peer-reviewed journals, written book chapters and review articles, and produced instructional surgical videos. His work has been presented at multiple national meetings.

Dr. Willimon is a member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS), the Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America (POSNA), Pediatric Research in Sports Medicine (PRISM), and the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine (AOSSM), the Arthroscopy Association of North America (AANA), the Georgia Orthopaedic Society (GOS) and the Piedmont Society. He is a member of the Institutional Review Board for Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and serves as a board member for the Atlanta Ronald McDonald House Charities and the Georgia Orthopaedic Society. Dr. Willimon and his wife, Kristen, have two children, McClure and Sam. When not spending time with his family, Dr. Willimon enjoys many outdoor pursuits.