



## INFORMATION FOR PATIENTS

Frequently asked questions by patients considering treatment using Swift microwave therapy.

### WHAT IS SWIFT®?

Swift is a new technology, developed in the UK, which has been licenced for the general treatment of skin lesions in Podiatry and Dermatology. Swift uses microwave energy which is delivered through a special probe applied to the skin to treat the affected tissue.

### DOES IT HURT?

Like many treatments for skin lesions, some minor discomfort may be experienced. Before treatment your podiatrist or dermatologist may decide to reduce the lesion with a blade. Pain levels vary from person to person but most people undergoing Swift liken it to a pain similar to an injection or a scratch, lasting 2 - 3 seconds then quickly subsiding.

### WHAT CAN I DO AFTER TREATMENT?

In some cases the treated area may feel sore but will not prevent you undertaking normal daily activities.

### HOW MANY TREATMENTS WILL I NEED?

This is dependent on how you respond to treatment. In some cases, you may need more than one treatment (these can be from 14 days to over a month apart depending on the response). Your Podiatrist or Dermatologist will be able to discuss this with you.

### CAN ANYONE RECEIVE THIS TREATMENT?

With a few exceptions, most people with skin lesions would be able to have this treatment. Your Podiatrist or Dermatologist will carry out an assessment prior to treatment and be able to advise you on this.

All information read here is based on Patient Information Sheets created by trained, registered Clinicians who are experienced with the product and treatment protocol. Before undergoing treatment ensure your Podiatrist or Dermatologist is registered and has given you the full range of options available.