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## **Ultrasound Guided Sclerotherapy (UGS) Information Sheet**

Ultrasound Guided Sclerotherapy (UGS) is a non-surgical treatment for varicose veins that are not visible on the surface of the skin.

The treatment involves injecting a special solution into the veins, using ultrasound guidance that causes the vein wall to collapse. The veins dissolve and disappear over three to six months as the body absorbs them.

Ultrasound Guided Sclerotherapy (UGS) is particularly effective for recurrent varicose veins. We have achieved good results with closure rates close to 90% at one year but recommend the combination of EVLA and UGS as the most reliable non-surgical treatment option.

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