

## Frequently Asked Questions About...

### Vascular Treatments with CoolGlide Excel 1064 nm Nd:YAG

*What does it do?*

We can treat the tiny red veins on the face called telangiectasia, the red or purple spider veins on the face or body, or mid-size blue leg veins. Our laser directly heats these vessels to eliminate them.

*How is your treatment different from other options?*

Our CoolGlide laser technology doesn't involve needles and it minimizes any bruising or irritation of the surrounding skin. We can treat the very small veins on the face.

*How many treatments will I need?*

The number depends on the quantity, colour and size of the treatment area but each treatment typically takes 5 to 15 minutes.

*What does it feel like?*

Patients may experience a mild to moderate stinging sensation as the pulses of light are delivered to the skin. A cooling mechanism is built into the handpiece to minimize the discomfort and protect the skin's surface. No local anaesthesia or pain medication is necessary, but some may opt to apply a topical anaesthetic or ice.

*What can I expect afterwards?*

Small vessels usually disappear immediately. Larger vessels, especially those on the legs, often look worse before they look better but will clear up over a matter of weeks or months. Wearing sunscreen regularly will help.

*Is it safe?*

Yes. Hundreds of thousands of CoolGlide treatments have been done to date. As with all medical procedures there is a slight degree of risk, and we will discuss this with you thoroughly when you come in for a consultation.