

INFORMATION LEAFLETS FOR PARENTS / CARERS OF A CHILD

TREATMENT OF WARTS / VERRUCAE



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Topical products containing **50% Salicylic Acid** is recommended to treat warts or verrucae at home. These work by removing the dead surface skin cells.

Preparations containing this are commonly known as:

Pickles ointment® or Verrugon ®

Treatment with these products usually makes the wart smaller and less uncomfortable; 70% of warts resolve within twelve weeks of daily applications.

They are available in pharmacies - no prescription is required.

Application:

1. Apply at night time
2. Firstly soften the wart by soaking in a bath or bowl of hot soapy water.
3. Pare the wart/verruca with an emery board or a pumice stone
4. Protect surrounding normal skin and nails with Vaseline.
5. Apply product directly with a cotton bud to the affected area.
6. Cover with a band aid overnight.
7. Remove in the morning
8. This can be applied initially for 3 nights and if tolerated can be used every night.
9. Do not apply immediately after a hospital treatment to allow blistering resolve. If your child is also receiving wart treatment by GP/ hospital do not apply a few nights before appointment.
10. If the wart becomes too sore, stop treatment for a few days and then resume.



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