

Candela V-Beam Therapy

The following information will help you to understand how the Candela V-beam is used to clear your vascular lesion. Please take the time to read this information. If you have any questions please contact the The Lee Clinic +353 (0)21 4941566.

How does the Candela V-beam work?

The Candela V-beam produces an intense but gentle burst of light that selectively destroys the blood vessels of your spider veins without damaging the surrounding tissue. After laser treatment the surrounding tissue is left intact and normal pigmentation occurs.

Are there reasons that would not make me a candidate for V-beam therapy?

The Candela V-beam is not recommended for patients who are darkly pigmented. Because of the increase in skin pigment the laser will be less effective on damaging the blood vessels of the spider veins or other vascular lesions to be treated.

The depth of penetration of the Candela V-beam is limited to vessels of about 1.5mm in depth. Therefore vessels deeper than this may not respond to the therapy. Additionally, blue ones may not respond as well as red ones.

What should I expect from this laser treatment?

Treatment with the V-beam may consist of multiple treatments. For facial veins one treatment may be sufficient for clearance, but a second visit is recommended for best results. These treatments occur on an average of every six to twelve weeks. Each individual situation may vary, and is best to discuss yours with your physician.

The type of vascular lesion to be treated will determine the number of treatments needed. Red veins respond better than blue veins, and the smaller matting vessels will respond sooner than the vessels up to 1.5mm in size. Port wine stain lesions have more vessels to be treated and require multiple treatments but the number of treatments is unknown in advance.