

Algorithm for Treatment of Anogenital Warts

Diagnosis

Non- Keratonised
Tend to be soft and on moist, non-hair bearing skin

Keratonised
Warts on the dry hairy skin are firm and Keratonised.

In male patients - need to differentiate between normal anatomical changes ie Pearly penile papules and genital warts (below)



Pearly Penile Papules



Genital Warts

Treatment Options
Treatment choice depends on the morphology, number and distribution of warts and patient preference. Consider home treatments as convenient for patient and reduces burden on clinical time

Non Keratonised
Respond well to Podophyllotoxin and TCA

Keratonised
Recommend: Physical ablative methods
Cryotherapy Trichloroacetic acid (TCA)
Excision or electrocautery
Imiquimod (Aldara) immune response modifier

Exclusion criteria
Podophyllotoxin -pregnancy (teratogenic) intrameatal warts
Imiquimod- not licensed in pregnancy
Cryotherapy- can cause slight depigmentation to black skin advise patient