

Problem veins quickly cured

It is more than vanity which sends people to seek treatment for varicose veins.

As well as being unsightly, varicose veins can also create a great deal of discomfort.

According to Dr Paul Varcoe, of and Laser Clinic at Broadbeach, dealing with varicose veins is a procedure which takes only 45 minutes of a patient's time.

For the past three years Dr Varcoe has been using Dulpex Ultrasound

Guided Sclerotherapy the Vein to treat problem varicose vein.

"A fine needle is then inserted into the vein and a precise amount of sclerosant solution is released," he said.

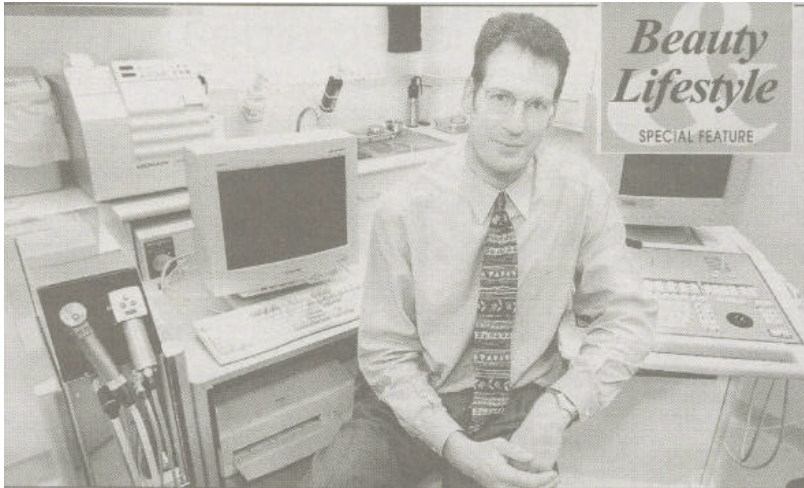
"This seals the vein at that point, preventing abnormal flow down the vein. Although several injections are needed in some cases, these is a minimum of discomfort;

"Afterwards, patients take a half-hour walk and then can return to work or whatever they were doing.

The DUGS procedure is ideal for people who cannot take time off for surgery. After the medicate rebate the; procedure its \$300, said Dr Varcoe..

A second treatment usually is only necessary if the patients have particularly large veins and this occurs in only a small number of cases.

"There is a chance that the vein will grow, again in years to-come, but that likely is no greater than if -the patient had undergone surgery."



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