



## SQUARIC ACID TO TREAT WARTS

Squaric acid is a chemical used by some dermatologists to treat warts. It causes a poison ivy like reaction on skin. This reaction boosts your immune system to attack the wart virus. Like other wart treatments, squaric acid is not always effective.

## **Side Effects**

- 1. Itching, blistering, and change in skin color at site of application.
- 2. Rare side effects include hives, swollen glands, and possible skin infection if blisters develop.

## **Instructions for application of Squaric Acid**

- 1. Squaric acid is applied to the wart
- 2. The area is covered with a Band-Aid for 24 hours
- 3. After 24 hours, remove the Band-Aid and wash the area with soap and water

\*Note: If severe itching develops, apply a steroid cream 2-3 times each day.

For more information please visit our website: <a href="www.pennstatehershey.org/web/dermatology/home">www.pennstatehershey.org/web/dermatology/home</a> and click on Health Information Library.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your provider at the location you were treated. Hershey Medical Center, UPC I, Suite 100 (717) 531-6820 or Nyes Road, (717) 657-4045. Penn State Hershey Medical Group, Colonnade Building (814)272-4445.

