

Condyloma Acuminatum

What is it?

- **Condyloma Acuminatum** – refers to an epidermal manifestation attributed to the epidermotropic human papillomavirus (HPV), venereal warts, also anal wart or anogenital wart, highly contagious, sexually transmitted
- **HPV**- is the virus responsible for condyloma acuminatum
 - **Virus**- linked to the development of cervical dysplasia, cervical cancer, vulvar dysplasia
 - **Genital Warts**- are spread by sexual contact, 2/3 who have sexual contact with an infected partner develop genital warts, incubation period is believed to be about 3 months



Signs and Symptoms:

- **Mortality & Morbidity**- usually not painful, pruritus, occasional bleeding, serious sequelae (a pathological condition resulting from a disease, a secondary consequence or result)

Facts:

- **Clinically Apparent**- in 1% of sexually active population
 - 10-20% - of men and women aged 15 to 49 years



What can I do?

- **See your Health Care Provider**- treatment is influenced by previous therapies, sexual behavior, immune status, therapy compliance
 - **Surgical Care**- Simple excision, Carbon-Dioxide Laser Therapy, Electrosurgery, Cryotherapy
 - **Other Suggestions**- refrain from sexual contact, soak the genital area in warm water or sitz baths for pain relief, dry the genital area with a towel or hair dryer, wear loose fitting cotton underwear to avoid chafing, often trouble sitting for long periods of time after surgery

