## Pre-screening Form for Sclerotherapy at ArtMed

At ArtMed we offer sclerotherapy (treatment of legs veins with an injectable medication). However, please note that we only provide treatment for veins of medium and small size (reticular and spider veins). Large, bulging varicose veins will need to be evaluated by a vascular surgeon.

We also offer medical level compression wear and prescriptions for insurance purposes.

If you are new to sclerotherapy, or new to sclerotherapy at ArtMed, or it has been many years since you were lasted treated with sclerotherapy at ArtMed you will be required to book **a consultation visit** before any treatment can be done. You will also need to have appropriate style and level of compression wear that is less than 2 years old before you can initiate treatments. We are more than happy to measure you and arrange ordering of appropriate compression wear at your consultation if required.

This pre-screening document helps us determine if you are potentially a good candidate for sclerotherapy at ArtMed.

## Please review the following questions:

Y / N Do you have bulging varicose veins?

Y / N Do you have tense edema or deep pitting of the lower legs (pressing a finger into the leg leaves a significant and persistent dent)?

- Y / N Have you had an unprovoked DVT (deep vein thrombosis) in the past?
- Y / N Do you have a blood clotting disorder (for eg. Factor V Leiden)?
- Y / N Are you currently undergoing cancer treatment (chemotherapy/radiation)?
- Y / N Are you pregnant or breastfeeding or within 6 weeks post partum?
- Y / N Have your veins flared up suddenly in the past 6 months?

If you answered **'No'** to all the above questions, please call (519-824-4567) or email (<u>info@artmed.ca</u>) to book your sclerotherapy consultation at ArtMed.

If you have answered **'Yes'** to any of the above questions we suggest you attend your family physician to consider a referral to a vascular surgeon for vein studies and consultation. We recommend referral to KW Vein Clinic and the referral form can be found at this link: <u>https://kwveinclinic.ca/consultation/</u>. After consultation, KW Vein Clinic may suggest more interventional treatments or they may provide clearance to proceed with sclerotherapy. If sclerotherapy is for small/medium veins contact ArtMed for a consultation.

If you have a history of vein stripping or EVLT (endovenous laser therapy) please be aware that doppler ultrasound will be done at your consultation at ArtMed to ensure veins remain closed. If there is any evidence of deep vein incompetence you will not be able to proceed with sclerotherapy treatment and referral to a vascular surgeon will be necessary before sclerotherapy can proceed.

For individuals who are pregnant/breast-feeding/within 6 weeks post partum you cannot undergo sclerotherapy until you are no longer breast-feeding/pregnant or at least 6 weeks post partum.

ArtMed <u>does not provide referrals</u> to KW Vein clinic because we are not a primary care provider. If you do not have a family physician, you could visit an online primary care provider that provides referrals such as <u>https://www.virtualhealthclinic.com/</u>.