

## **LIPOMA**

A lipoma is a benign growth. It normally appears as a lump or bump below the surface of the skin. It is a benign overgrowth of the normal fatty tissue.

A lipoma can occur anywhere on the skin surface. Some patients have only one growth, while some patients have many growths. Since lipomas are benign growths no treatment is usually required.

In some cases a lipoma may seem to be getting larger or become inflamed because of the location on the skin. If this is the case the lesion can be removed surgically. Exactly how it is removed depends on how big it is and where the lipoma is.

It is important to realize that this is a benign growth and will not affect your health in any other way. If you have any other questions regarding this growth, please ask me before you leave the office.