Skin Disorders

Condylomas are wart-like growths seen on the genitalia and around the anus. Both types, condyloma acuminata and lata, result from infection. Acuminata results from infection with the HPV virus and is most often seen in individuals who practice ano-receptive sexual intercourse. These lesions can grow to become quite large. Patients with extensive perianal disease or disease that involves the anal canal require treatment (ablation) in the operating room. Patients with limited perianal disease only can be treated with topical agents such as podophyllin or trichlorocetic acid.

Condyloma lata, on the other hand, are a manifestation of secondary syphilis. Treatment of these lesions should involve treatment of the underlying disease.