## Scleroderma

Scleroderma (which is also known as systemic sclerosis) is a rare, chronic disease of the immune system, blood vessels, skin and tissues. Symptoms can be:

- Raynauds disease (poor circulation to the hands and feet)
- Skin thickening
- Indigestion or oesophageal reflux
- Involvement of the internal organs.

Scleroderma can be a complex disease. At Dudley, Dr Karen Douglas with her specialist interest in the disease leads the service. Therapies and research in scleroderma is moving fast and Dr Douglas as a member of the UK Scleroderma study group is up-to-date with new developments. We offer

- a weekly clinic,
- active participation in clinical research,
- video-capillaroscopy, and
- excellent links to national experts.

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