

# Information for Patients Care of Your Splint Wrist/Thumb Brace

## Rheumatology Services Occupational Therapy



## Care of Splint

The splint was individually fitted to you. If you have any doubt as to its purpose please contact the therapist named below.

**Name of splint** Procool Wrist & Thumb brace

Right / Left Small / Medium / Large/Extra Large

## Purpose of splint

- To help reduce swelling
- To help reduce wrist / thumb pain
- To provide wrist and thumb support during hand function

### When to wear the splint

Wear for 30 minutes initially and then check skin for red areas / skin reactions

- Daytime 2 hours on / 2 hours off
- During daily life activities
- Other .....

#### **Precautions**

- 1. Should you experience pins and needles, red areas from rubbing or an allergic reaction from the splint please stop wearing it immediately and contact the therapist below.
- 2. Do not adjust your own splint.
- 3. We advise you to inform your Insurance Company if you wear your splint when driving.
- 4. The material your splint is made from is flammable but presents no more risk than your clothes.

## Cleaning

- 1. Your splint may be washed by hand in warm not hot soapy water.
- 2. Do not put in the washing machine/ tumble drier.
- 3. Ensure your splint is completely dry before applying.

## **Therapist:**