



## JK PHYSIOTHERAPY LTD

### CHAPERONE POLICY

*“Physiotherapists have a duty to respect the dignity and sensibilities of patients, as well as their own right to work in a safe environment. By its very nature, physiotherapy is a ‘touching’ profession often with patients in a state of undress.” Chartered Society of Physiotherapy*

At JK Physiotherapy we view the protection of patients and practitioners throughout the treatment process of the highest importance. The Chartered Society of Physiotherapists lay down guidelines to ensure the treatment of all, especially young persons.

At JK Physiotherapy we require all Children 16 or under be supervised by an adult during examinations and treatment sessions. If a patient is over 16 they may request or be offered an informal Chaperone such as a friend or relative or a formal Chaperone such as a staff member. A Chaperone is someone who is an adult acting as an impartial third party. Should you require a formal Chaperone, please request this at time of booking an appointment, in order for this to be arranged.

Please be aware that for a full Physiotherapy examination it may be required to remove some items of clothing, therefore, you may feel more comfortable bringing a sleeveless top, sports bra, shorts or swim wear to put on for the treatment.