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Airport help for air-rage smokers

LASER therapy is being offered to smoking passengers at Prestwick Airport in a bid to combat air-rage attacks.

It's hoped a 45-minute session at the Anne Penman Laser Therapy Centre will ease cravings before they board the plane.

Last week, it was revealed Virgin Airways are considering offering nicotine patches or gum to passengers after a study found most air-rage attacks were by fliers desperate for a cigarette.

Former bank worker Linda Murray has opened the therapy branch at Prestwick.

The pre-flight treatment costs £25 a session.

She said: "We are open to everyone for full programmes to give up for good but obviously there is an extra appeal to smoking holidaymakers who just don't relish the prospect of cigarette-free flights.

"If nothing else, it will get them through the flight before they open the duty-free carton.

"As a former smoker myself, I fully appreciate their nightmare."

Founder Anne Penman said: "The airport is a great location and it is bound to attract the attention of smokers uncomfortable about a no smoking flight."