BEYOND SKIN DEEP

Bad veins, skin conditions, signs of aging—Texas Skin & Vein treats them all.

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exas Skin & Vein is not your average dermatology clinic. In addition to laser resurfacing, injectables, and other sought-after treatments, the clinic offers high-tech solutions for varicose veins as well as severe complications of vein disease.

Helming the clinic is retired Army physician Timothy Straight, M.D., Ph.D., who is board-certified in dermatology as well as venous and lymphatic medicine. Dr. Straight's unique background and experience with vein disease makes Texas Skin & Vein the ideal destination for patients seeking skin or vein treatments, or a combination of both.

"Our medical experience and diagnostic tools enable us to determine which treatments would be best," Dr. Straight says. "That way we're not wasting the patient's time and money on cosmetic treatments when we should be attending to more significant medical issues."

Tailored Vein Treatments

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four adults and is common among people 40 and older. People often mistake its symptoms—dull aches, cramps, heaviness, fatigue, and restlessness-for inevitable signs of aging. Meanwhile, weak venous valves allow more blood to pool in the legs, exacerbating the problem.

There is good news, however. Thanks to modern technology, vein disease treatments can be minimally invasive and accomplished with local anesthesia. Texas Skin & Vein offers a number of options for patients at all stages of the disease.

Veins requiring medical attention are best suited for laser or radiofrequency thermal ablation, which uses a slim fiber to treat specific veins. Ultrasound guided sclerotherapy is another option, sending a solution into targeted veins to close them off. Because these treatments address medical conditions, insurance companies often cover them. Texas Skin & Vein also offers cosmetically tailored treatments to beautify the appearance of legs, such as lasers that erase thinner spider veins.

"Veins are like fingerprints: Everyone's are different," Dr. Straight says. "Experience and technology enable us to design a personalized treatment plan for each patient." Most vein treatments consist of sessions lasting 30 minutes to an hour,

with the number of sessions needed varying based on severity. Dr. Straight monitors his patients closely as they attend what he likes to call "Vein University," ensuring that each step in the process leads to optimal results. The outcome of vein treatment is often life-changing: pain-free legs, increased mobility, and a noticeable reduction of unsightly veins.

In addition to a unique menu of vein treatments, Texas Skin & Vein offers next-level dermatology services that turn back the clock on aging as well as remedies to treat routine skin conditions like acne, psoriasis, and rosacea. A fan of laser treatments, Dr. Straight discovered an affinity for this technology while serving in military hospitals, where cutting-edge laser treatments helped scarred and wounded warriors recover.

"We love what we do, and that is reflected in our work with every patient, every day," he says.



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