



LEADING THE WAY

Vascular Surgery Associates provides cutting-edge surgical solutions for patients experiencing venous disorders.

Itchy, inflamed skin, branching spider veins, and tired, swollen legs are all signs of vascular disease, and after experiencing these chronic symptoms, many accept this discomfort as an unavoidable part of aging. But with trained vascular surgeons specializing in ever-expanding solutions, it doesn't have to be that way.

"It's the unknown that makes people nervous. Not knowing if treatment will be painful, or if it will even improve their symptoms, can discourage them from seeking help," says Allan Tulloch, M.D., a varicose vein specialist and board-certified general and vascular surgeon. He and the team at Vascular Surgery Associates work one-on-one with patients to determine the root cause of their physical discomfort or cosmetic worries.

Even though the challenges people face can be greatly improved with medical intervention, Dr. Tulloch notes a lack of knowledge regarding the available treatment options can be a barrier. "That's why we recommend patients come in for a consultation so they can understand what we do and what we recommend. Ninety-nine percent of the time, procedures are a lot less intense than most realize, and the results can be life changing," he says.

Treating arteries and veins throughout the body, vascular surgeons specialize in a wide variety of conditions including spider veins, abdominal aortic aneurysms, carotid and peripheral artery disease, and arterial blockages. Vascular Surgery

Associates also assists with nonsurgical solutions, offering patients multifaceted vascular care.

"We're called vascular surgeons, but we're really vascular specialists," Dr. Tulloch says. "Our work doesn't end with procedures for arteries and veins. We treat patients over time and even manage medication for vascular disease."

CUTTING-EDGE CARE

"Many of my patients reached out to our practice after hearing the success stories of family and friends," says Dr. Tulloch. "At the end of our treatments, people see big results."

For spider veins, the team at Vascular Surgery Associates often starts treatment soon after or during a consultation. In three or more sessions, patients can start seeing significant cosmetic improvement, the result of innovative therapies such as sclerotherapy—the injection of vein-shrinking medication into the veins—and cutaneous laser treatments.

When administering cosmetic treatment for larger varicose veins, a combination of different procedures—including laser ablation, foam injections, and microphlebectomy (a procedure that directly removes small branches of blood vessels)—helps patients achieve the best results while often improving uncomfortable physical symptoms.

Specializing in procedures that alleviate symptoms of chronic vascular health conditions and carefully considering each

patient's background, Vascular Surgery Associates utilizes diagnostic tools such as venography to determine the best path forward. Procedures such as bypasses and stents help ensure patients live longer and happier lives—which is the best part of the job for Dr. Tulloch.

"We help overcome barriers patients have lived with for years," he says. "It's a rewarding experience."



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