Today’s Vascular Surgeon
Surgery is only part of our story

A Referral Guide for Your Patients with Vascular Disease

SVS Society for Vascular Surgery
Partnering with You for Comprehensive Vascular Care

When it comes to the vascular health of your patients, you can rely on today’s vascular surgeon for support at every step. Modern vascular care encompasses targeted medical therapy, exercise and diet plans, minimally invasive interventions and traditional surgical procedures. Only vascular surgeons are trained in all of these areas to offer therapy that is best suited for each individual.

Our Goal Is Your Goal

We focus on collaboration to devise patient-centered care plans that will result in successful and durable long-term outcomes for each individual in your care. Refer your patients as early as possible for efficient diagnosis and to develop the most appropriate care plan.

Capable. Comprehensive. Collaborative. Today’s board-certified vascular surgeons are leading the way toward more comprehensive vascular care.

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Today’s Most Commonly Prescribed Tests

Vascular surgeons will partner with you to diagnose vascular disease and help determine the best treatment options for your patients using these tests:

**Angiogram**
Both diagnostic and therapeutic, an angiogram is an X-ray using a contrast agent of iodine dye and the most widely used test to detect arterial blockages.

**Ankle-Brachial Index (ABI)**
A non-invasive test that uses inflatable cuffs to gauge circulation and measure blood pressure in the arteries at various locations on the thigh, calf, foot and toes.

**Carotid Duplex**
A painless, non-invasive test that sees and measures the rate at which blood flows through carotid arteries. No radiation, dye or needles are used.

**Computed Tomography Angiography (CTA)** and **Magnetic Resonance Angiography (MRA)**
Non-invasive, advanced 3D imaging providing detailed information about blood vessels and their anatomic relationships with other organs.

**Duplex Ultrasound**
A non-invasive evaluation of blood flow that provides vascular surgeons with invaluable information to make a sound diagnosis and outline a treatment plan.
Providing a Full Spectrum of Treatment Options

Vascular surgeons dedicate their entire training to address the full spectrum of vascular health and disease. As the only specialists board-certified in vascular surgery, partner with a vascular surgeon for their disease-focused, not technique-focused, expertise.

An ongoing relationship with a vascular surgeon will allow you to proactively guide the treatment of your patient's vascular disease. Early vascular surgical consultation may help patients – by using aggressive medical and lifestyle treatments and minimally invasive interventions – as fewer than half of all patients treated by a vascular surgeon require surgical interventions. But when needed, vascular surgeons are also experts in surgical reconstructions if they offer patients better or more durable outcomes.

For those who do require surgery, vascular surgeons consult with physicians and each patient to provide the most appropriate and personalized solution for the best results.

Comprehensive Care Your Patients Need

Vascular surgeons are specially trained to collaborate with other medical professionals to develop patient-centered care plans. Their comprehensive approach to promoting vascular health includes prevention, medical therapy and multiple surgical options, including both minimally invasive and open procedures, and ongoing, long-term disease management.

Because vascular disease affects millions of adults each year, your patient may benefit from seeing a vascular surgeon, especially those with risk factors such as:

- Atherosclerosis
- Hyperlipidemia
- Hypertension
- Smoking
- Diabetes
- Vasculitis
- Vein Disease and Leg Swelling

Consider engaging with a vascular surgeon as soon as possible to learn all the treatment options and to help create a care plan that will result in the best long-term outcome for your patient. Our goal is to provide comprehensive vascular care to maintain and restore the vascular health of our patients.
Learn more and have more meaningful conversations with your patients about the following vascular conditions:

**Head and Neck**
- Carotid Artery Disease
- Stroke
- TIAs
- Vertebral Artery Disease

**Chest and Abdomen**
- Aneurysms and Occlusive Disease
- Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm
- Endoleaks (Type I-V)
- Aortic Dissection
- Thoracic Aortic Aneurysm
- Aortoiliac Occlusive Disease
- Mesenteric Ischemia
- Visceral Artery Aneurysm
- Renovascular Conditions (renal artery stenosis, renovascular HTN)

**Upper Extremity**
- Thoracic Outlet Syndrome
- Arm Artery Occlusive Disease
- Hypothenar Hammer Syndrome (ulnar artery aneurysm)
- Lymphedema

**Lower Extremity**
- Peripheral Arterial Disease
  - Claudication
  - Chronic Limb Threatening Ischemia
  - Diabetic Foot
  - Non-Healing Wounds
  - Gangrene
- Peripheral Aneurysm
- Venous Disease
  - Acute Deep Vein Thrombosis
  - Pulmonary Embolism
  - Chronic Venous Insufficiency
  - Varicose Veins
- Lymphedema

**Unusual Vascular Problems**
- Popliteal Entrapment
- Adventitial Cystic Disease
- Iliac Artery Endofibrosis
- Hypothenar Hammer Syndrome
- Fibromuscular Disease
- Giant Cell Arteritis
- Connective Tissue Disorder (CTD)
- Raynaud’s Syndrome

**Vascular Infections**
- Aortic Infections
- Prosthetic Graft Infections
- Dialysis Access Graft Infections

**Vascular Trauma**

**Dialysis Access**
- Hemodialysis Access Creation
- Steal Syndrome
- Malfunctioning Hemodialysis Access

Learn more about how we partner with you to make comprehensive vascular care part of your patients’ healthy future. Contact us today.

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