

FAQs.

Frequently Asked Questions

How does the procedure actually work?

A laser or sclerotherapy are used along the length of your faulty, varicose vein. The vein walls are damaged, shrinking them closed so that blood can no longer flow through.

Is loss of this vein a problem?

No. There are many veins in the leg. After treatment the blood in the faulty veins will be diverted to normal veins with functional valves. The resulting increase in circulation will significantly relieve symptoms and improve appearance.

What are the complications of these procedures?

Like all minimally invasive procedures, some slight bruising can occur, which commonly disappears within the first few weeks. With EVLT®, you will feel a delayed tightness (or "pulling" sensation) 4-7 days after laser treatment which is normal and expected following a successful treatment.

How successful are these procedures?

Clinical data with up to 5 years of follow-up show success rates of 93-98%.



In addition to our Venous Therapy procedures, TCA offers a comprehensive range of cardiovascular medical care.

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- Venous Therapy (varicose veins)
- Women's Health Solutions
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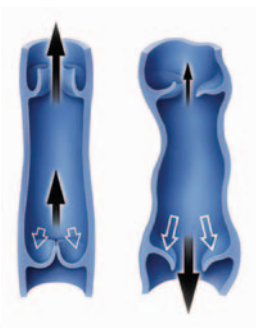
IT'S TIME TO BRING YOUR LEGS INTO...

FOCUS

TELL ME MORE.

Eliminate unsightly varicose veins at the source. The twisted bulging that causes discomfort and embarrassment results from faulty valves in the veins.

As blood flows through your veins to the heart, stop valves are supposed to prevent the blood from flowing backwards as gravity pulls it down. If the valves don't close properly, blood pools in the vein, forcing the walls to enlarge and bulge out.



The first step to diagnosis & treatment is a venous ultrasound. Non-surgical treatments can be used to seal the vein shut and help you look and feel better fast.

SCLEROTHERAPY.

- Mild sedation is used.
- Local anesthetic is applied.
- A small catheter is inserted through a tiny entry point, usually close to the knee.
- A concentrated foam solution (sclerotherapy) is injected into the vein.
- The leg is elevated and massaged so the foam will travel the length of the vein.
- Ultrasound is used to check the foam position.
- Walking after the procedure is encouraged.



BEFORE



AFTER

ENDOVASCULAR VENOUS LASER THERAPY.

- Mild Sedation is used.
- Local anesthetic is applied.
- A thin laser fiber is inserted through a tiny entry point, usually near the knee.
- Laser energy is delivered to seal the faulty vein.
- Walking immediately after the procedure is encouraged. Normal daily activity can be resumed; just avoid rigorous activities such as gym workouts or lifting weights.
- There may be minor soreness and bruising. Any discomfort can be treated with over-the-counter, non-aspirin pain relievers as necessary.

"During the EVLT® procedure, I really did feel no pain at all. After the procedure I dressed myself and went back to work."!

- Sal S., EVLT® patient

ELIMINATE VARICOSE VEINS AND SHOW OFF YOUR LEGS AGAIN