

Q: Will my insurance cover it?

A: Check your policy and call your insurance provider to find out what their exact coverage will be. Laser treatment is often covered if deemed medically necessary.

Q: What follow-up procedures may be needed?

A: Micro-phlebectomy is done by the surgeon to treat larger bulging varicose vein clusters that may be done in conjunction with Endovenous laser ablation. This minimally invasive treatment is done through very small incisions that require no sutures and minimize potential scarring.

Spider and small veins are treated by our board certified Nurse Practitioners by methods of sclerotherapy or cosmetic laser procedures. Sclerotherapy is performed by injecting a sclerosant directly into the diseased blood vessel. Cosmetic laser treatment delivers laser light through the skin and into the vein.

**DIRECTIONS TO
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Shawnee, KS 66203**

Take I-35 to 75th Street Exit# 227. Go West approximately 2 blocks. Vein Institute of the Midwest is on the Northwest side of 75th & Switzer next to the bank.

General Office Procedures

Scheduling

For questions regarding an appointment or to schedule one, please call 913-322-2211. If your insurance requires a referral from your primary care physician, please bring it with you.

Billing

VSA participates with many insurance plans, including Medicare, and most PPO's and HMO's. We file your primary and secondary insurances for your convenience. We ask that co-payments and non-covered charges be paid at the time of service. For your convenience, we now accept VISA and MasterCard.

Office Hours

☐ Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

After Hours

If you have questions or problems that require a physician's attention after business hours, please call **913-322-2211**. One of our surgeons is always available.

Vein Institute of the Midwest

AFFILIATE OF VASCULAR SURGERY ASSOCIATES

SPECIALIZING IN MINIMALLY INVASIVE TECHNIQUES FOR THE OUTPATIENT TREATMENT OF VARICOSE VEINS

Comprehensive Management of Venous Disease Including:

Evaluation of Venous Disorders

Non-Surgical Laser Treatment of Varicose Veins

Micro- Phlebectomy

Sclerotherapy

Cosmetic Laser Procedures

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We welcome you as a patient and appreciate the opportunity to provide you and your family with the best vascular services. Our Physicians and staff are dedicated to the care of our patients. We deliver excellence with courteous, convenient and cost-effective medical care using state-of-the-art technology.

Meet Our Surgeons...

Richard C. Arnsperger, MD, FACS

Dr. Arnsperger is a native Kansan and a graduate of the University of Kansas School of Medicine. After earning his medical degree, he completed his residency in General Surgery at Saint Luke's Hospital in Kansas City, and a fellowship in Vascular Surgery at the University of Tennessee Memphis. Returning to the Kansas City area, Dr. Arnsperger has practiced for nearly two decades as a Board Certified Vascular Surgeon.



Kirk A. Hance, MD, FACS

After earning his degree at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, Dr. Hance completed an internship and a residency at the University of Kansas Medical Center, where he has also served as an assistant professor. His fellowship in endovascular surgery was completed at Washington University in St. Louis. He is board certified in Vascular Surgery.



Varicose Veins Briefly Explained

Your veins carry blood from the capillaries to the heart. In your leg, this means the blood has to flow upward, against gravity. Consequently, these veins have one-way valves to prevent the blood from back flowing. Over time, these valves can fail to close tightly, allowing blood to pool and causing the bulging and twisting characteristic of varicose veins.

Following in-depth clinical evaluation and diagnosis aided by ultrasound, Vein Institute of the Midwest offers a comprehensive therapeutic approach featuring all effective modalities for treating diseased veins. These include endovenous ablation of incompetent veins, micro phlebectomy of veins not suitable for laser, sclerotherapy, and cosmetic laser procedures for spider veins.

Q: How is laser treatment different from surgery?

A: Surgery involves considerable preparation, general anesthetic, pain in the affected areas, and a lengthy recovery period. Laser technology eliminates all of that. First, it's "minimally invasive", meaning the entry point through which your physician maneuvers the laser fiber to the target area is extremely small, not even requiring stitches. Second, there is really no "recovery" to speak of. In fact, you'll be up and walking as soon as the procedure is over, able to return to full normal activity. Third, the risk of infection is extremely low. Fourth, it involves minimal discomfort.

Q: Exactly how does a laser treat varicose veins?

A: Laser fixes the problem at the source by delivering just the right wavelength of laser

energy to close incompetent veins, enabling your body to automatically re-route blood to other healthy veins.

Q: What is the actual procedure like?

A: It takes about 1 hour and 1/2 in the physicians office and no general anesthetic is required, just local anesthetic. Your surgeon inserts a thin laser fiber into the vein through a sheath and the laser light is emitted through the fiber. While you might feel some unfamiliar sensation, it is not painful.

Q: How do lasers work? Are they safe?

A: Simply put, a laser is a highly concentrated beam of light. Medical lasers work by delivering this light energy to the targeted tissue with extreme precision so as not to affect the surrounding tissue. And they've proven their safety and effectiveness through years of use in all kinds of medical procedures, from eye surgery to dermatology. In the hands of a skilled surgeon, lasers offer far less risk and complications than conventional surgery.

Q: How long before I see results?

A: There may be some slight swelling right after the procedure, but you could start seeing results right away.

Q: Will the results last?

A: In Clinical trials, laser treatment has proved to be 97% effective - an outstanding record of success. Therefore, you should experience no reoccurrence in the veins that have been treated. Follow-up procedures may be desired to obtain optimal aesthetic results.

Before Treatment



After Treatment

