

Connecticut Center for Advanced Vein Therapy

Comprehensive Vein Care

The Connecticut Center for Advanced Vein Therapy is a comprehensive vein care center offering treatment for all types of veins from spider veins, to bulging varicose veins, to veins with complications such as leg ulcers. Severe varicose veins can have a significant impact on the lives of people who work on their feet – nurses, teachers, flight attendants, police officers and many other professionals. The swollen, gnarled veins that frequently occur in the legs, ankles and feet can be painful and cause pain and fatigue, swollen ankles and calves, burning or itching skin, skin discoloration and leg ulcers. Varicose veins never go away without treatment and frequently progress and worsen over time.

Services Provided:

Endovenous Laser Therapy
Ambulatory Phlebectomy
Sclerotherapy
Venous Doppler Ultrasound
Compression Stocking Fittings
Leg ulcer treatments
Second Opinions
24 Hour On-Call physician care

How do I get started?

You start with an ultrasound of the affected leg followed by a consult with either Dr. Belcher or Dr. Hyson. After interpreting your ultrasound images they will explain your options and what treatment plan best fits your veins. At that time we can schedule your procedures and send the necessary information to your insurance for authorization.

Will treatment be covered by my insurance?

Coverage of vein treatment depends upon your insurance, the type of veins that are being treated and the course of treatment that is planned. Veins that are painful and cause medical problems for patients are usually covered by insurance. Typically, the small purple spider veins are considered cosmetic and are not covered by insurance. We submit all the necessary documentation to your insurance company and you will know prior to any procedure what is covered by your plan.

Do I have to wear those thick, tight stockings?

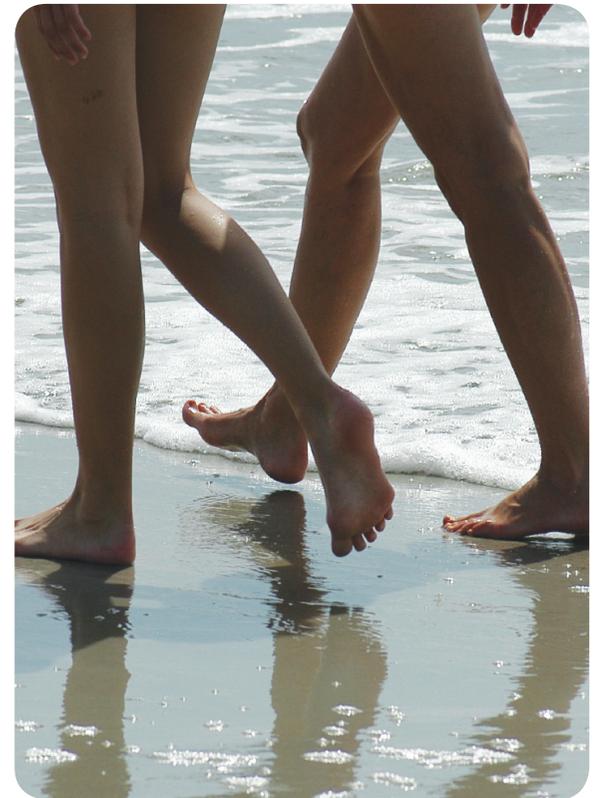
Some insurances prefer you to try conservative management (wearing compression stocking) for 6-8 weeks to see if they help vein-associated symptoms. If you need to wear the stockings, our office can fit you for them or you can purchase them at a local pharmacy. Also, after certain procedures it is necessary to wear compression stockings to ensure the best possible results.

What about pain?

Bulging varicose veins are a common cause of aching discomfort in the legs. Varicose vein treatments performed at CCAVT usually improve the painful symptoms as well as the appearance of the legs. CCAVT does everything we can to make our treatments as pain-free as possible with the liberal use of topical anesthetic cream and local anesthetic.

I had veins treated a few years ago and they never completely resolved, can anything be done?

The treatment of varicose veins has undergone considerable improvement over the last few years and there are possible new treatments for your veins. At CCAVT we look for the reason why the veins recurred or never fully resolved and seek to find a new solution and more positive outcome.



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