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What is Chronic Venous Insufficiency?

Chronic venous insufficiency (CVI) is a condition that occurs when valves in the leg veins become damaged and are not working effectively, making it difficult for blood to return to the heart. CVI causes blood to "pool" or collect in these veins.

Valve damage may occur as the result of aging, extended sitting or standing leading to reduced mobility and is commonly hereditary.

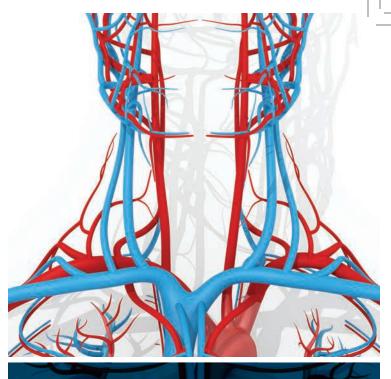
Easy, effective treatments.

Millions of American suffer from CVI, but there's no need to live with this painful and often unsightly condition. At McLaren, we offer both minimally invasive and non-invasive options, including endovenous laser therapy to effectively treat CVI and varicose veins.

Endovenous ablation therapy involves the insertion of an ultrasound-guided catheter directly into the incompetent vein. The vein is heated from within, causing it to shrink, collapse and seal shut. Nonthermal-based treatments options are also available. Patients experience minimal discomfort, and can return to normal activities the same day.

Why to see a physician:

The seriousness of CVI, along with the complexities of treatment, increase as the disease progresses. The problem will not go away if you wait, and the earlier it is diagnosed and treated, the better your chances of preventing serious complications.



Common symptoms treated:

- Vericose veins
- Swelling in the lower legs and ankles, especially after long periods of standing
- Pain, aching or heaviness in legs
- Leathery-looking skin on the legs
- Flaking or itching skin on the legs or feet
- Stasis ulcers

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