

1. We believe that sclerotherapy is the preferred treatment for almost all varicose veins. No matter how they are treated, there is always the possibility of recurrence. When this happens it is usually minor and can be handled with a visit to the office. We recommend a yearly check up following treatment.
2. Like all medical treatment there is a possibility of complications. Complications are almost always mild. Sometimes small little vessels develop at the site of the large one. These small vessels can be easily eliminated with a few injections. Occasionally there are a few that we cannot eliminate.
3. There is some brownish discoloration that occurs at the site of injection almost invariably. This usually fades within several months to a year. Occasionally a little discoloration will remain.
4. Allergic reaction, although highly rare, is a possibility. It usually manifests itself by hives, although respiratory problems have been reported. While we have not seen this, we are prepared to handle it if it should occur.
5. In larger veins, once injected there is a firm area beneath the skin that may feel like a small bean. This is completely normal and will disappear within a few months. There may be some tenderness in this area as well.
6. If the solution is not directly injected into the vein and infiltrates the surrounding tissue, a small slough can occur. This will result in a scab and potentially leave a scar. This is highly unusual, almost never happens, but we want to apprise you of every possibility.
7. Diabetics have a risk of infection that is present at all times. If this occurs, it can be treated with antibiotics.
8. While we know of no problems associated with the injections during pregnancy, we prefer not to do injections if a patient is pregnant or nursing. Please notify us if you become pregnant during the course of your treatment.
9. One of the benefits of injection of large varicosities is that it markedly decreases the chance of superficial and deep phlebitis. (blood clot in the vein.) However, there is still a small chance of this occurring.
10. If you have any concerns about the above, please do not hesitate to speak to the doctor or physician assistant. We thoroughly believe that these treatments will make your legs feel and look better. There is occasionally a patient who is not satisfied with treatment. We want you to be satisfied with your treatment and your encounter with our office. We are more than happy to discuss any problems or concerns, if any, at all times.

“I have read and understand the above statement concerning the benefits and risks of injections treatment to veins. I consent to photographs to be taken. I understand that no personal identification will be made in these pictures except those approved by me. I understand that my signature does not authorize any such treatment but only that I have read this information.”

Patient signature \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_