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Business Watch

Radia Vein Center offers new treatments for varicose and spider veins without surgery

More than half of adult women and up to one third of adult men may have abnormal appearing leg veins. And, approximately 25 percent of women and 15 percent of men suffer from greater saphenous vein reflux, commonly known as varicose veins. These are often the source of discomfort, swelling and leg fatigue. In the past, treatment for these issues required painful, invasive surgery and long recovery.



Dr. James Cook

Now, the skilled, board-certified physicians of The Radia Vein Center at Mill Creek offer the most advanced medical technology to make varicose veins and spider veins vanish without the disadvantages of older treatments. Quick, effective outpatient procedures involve minimal discomfort and after treatment, patients can resume normal activities immediately.



Dr. Robert DeFrang

In Endovascular Laser Ablation, or ELA, a treatment for varicose veins, a laser fiber is inserted into the vein through a tiny puncture site. The laser energizes the fiber as it is withdrawn from the vein. Energy emitted from the tip of the fiber causes only the treated vein to close, while the body automatically routes the blood to other healthy veins.

“This is a varicose vein treatment that’s perfect for today’s busy lifestyles,” said James “Jay” Cook, MD, vascular surgeon. “Patients can look and feel better almost immediately and with very little inconvenience. They don’t have to disrupt their normal schedules. It’s very rewarding when advancements in medical technology enable us to provide an alternative that’s far superior to older treatments.”

For unsightly spider veins, the Vein Center offers Sclerotherapy, performed by injecting small amounts of medication into the unwanted vein to cause their closure. The solution displaces the blood in the vein causing the vein to appear lighter in color as well as irritating the inside lining of the vein, causing it to collapse. Within a few weeks to a month, depending on the size of the vein, the unused vein is absorbed by the body and disappears from view.



Dr. Philip D. Feliciano

“People usually seek treatment either to eliminate their uncomfortable leg symptoms or to improve their appearance. We want to address both safely and expertly,” explained Dr. Cook. The Radia Vein Center at Mill Creek is part of the Radia Center for Vascular Disease, a group of board-certified vascular surgeons and interventional radiologists who, in 2004, became part of Radia, the largest private radiology/vascular practice in the Pacific Northwest. The four physicians in the group are James M. Cook, MD, Robert D. DeFrang, MD, Philip D. Feliciano, MD and W. Burley McIntyre, MD.



Dr. W. Burley McIntyre

The Radia Vein Center at Mill Creek will open Aug. 8 in the Park Place Center at 15224 Main Street, Suite 303 in Mill Creek. For more information please visit www.radiaveincenter.net. To contact the office, call (425) 740-2180.

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