Sclerotherapy Treatment for Spider Veins

Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

For more information, please discuss your symptoms with your primary care physician or call Southern Indiana Surgery at (800) 815-7671.
Spider veins are unsightly red or blue veins that usually appear on the thighs, calves and ankles. While they may not pose any health risks, the damage to self-esteem is well known in those who suffer from them.

But you don’t have to continue to suffer from spider veins. Southern Indiana Surgery now offers sclerotherapy to permanently remove ugly spider veins.

**What Is Sclerotherapy?**

It is an elective, cosmetic procedure to treat spider veins. Spider veins are injected with a sclerosing solution that collapses or otherwise fades the veins from view.

Because it is a noninvasive procedure involving only a syringe, sclerotherapy is quick and relatively painless. Patients who receive this treatment can typically resume normal activity within the same day.

**What Causes Spider Veins?**

- Heredity
- Pregnancy
- Hormonal factors
- Weight gain
- Occupations or activities that require prolonged sitting or standing
- Trauma

**How Many Treatment Sessions?**

That depends on your individual needs. You may have some or all spider veins treated in one session, or it may take as many as three sessions. Sclerotherapy is only effective on visible spider veins. It does not prevent future spider veins from appearing.

**Who Gets Spider Veins?**

Most cases of spider veins occur in women between 30-60 years of age. Medically speaking, spider veins pose no health risk, but many who suffer from this condition feel self-conscious exposing their legs.

**Is This A Treatment For Varicose Veins?**

No. Varicose veins require a specific, medical treatment called Venefit™. Sclerotherapy is a treatment strictly for spider veins. You may schedule a consultation with Southern Indiana Surgery to determine your best options.

**Other Vein Treatments at SIS**

1) **Venefit™** is a minimally-invasive alternative to vein stripping that involves closing diseased veins.
2) **Vein stripping**, or removal of the vein, is often performed with larger or perforating veins.

To schedule a consultation for treatment, contact Southern Indiana Surgery at (800) 815-7671.

**SIS Vein Clinic Surgeons**

**Douglas Y. Roese, M.D.**

Vascular Center Medical Director

Dr. Douglas Roese brings 15 years of medical expertise to Southern Indiana Surgery, including a vascular fellowship from Baylor College of Medicine and eight years of general, vascular and laparoscopic surgery. Dr. Roese attained his Doctor of Medicine from Augusta’s Medical College of Georgia in 1995.

**Jason W. Christie, M.D.**

Prior to joining Southern Indiana Surgery, Dr. Christie completed general surgery training at Wake Forest University, where he trained an additional two years to complete a vascular surgery fellowship. Raised in Glasgow, Ky., Dr. Christie received his medical degree from the University of Louisville School of Medicine. With strong ties to the Columbus community, Dr. Christie’s wife Jennifer grew up in Hope, Ind. In addition, Jennifer’s grandmother, Dorothy Armuth, served on the Columbus Regional Health’s board of directors for many years.