**Varicose Veins**

* Plastic surgery referral for evaluation or management of nonhealing venous ulcer and skin graft needed.
* Vascular surgery referral for evaluation or management of:
  + Conservative therapy requiring fitting and use of graded compression stockings
  + Bleeding varicosity or large varices associated with skin ulcer
  + Interpretation of diagnostic testing needed (e.g., duplex US)
  + Persistent or recurrent venous stasis ulcer or skin changes suggesting chronic venous insufficiency
  + Superficial thrombophlebitis that fails to improve with treatment
  + Saphenous venous insufficiency that has failed medical treatment, valve incompetence documented by duplex US, symptoms causing clinically significant functional impairment.

**Reference**

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