



St. Mary's Hospital

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If you have varicose veins, you may be suffering from superficial venous reflux disease. Superficial venous reflux develops when veins in the legs lose their ability to return blood to the heart. As a result, blood pools in the vein, distending and twisting it.

VNUS Closure

Until recently, vein ligation and stripping were standard treatment options. While 85% effective, these procedures involve surgery in an operating room under a general anesthetic, and recovery time can be one to two weeks.

A new, minimally invasive alternative—the **VNUS Closure procedure**—is now available at St. Mary's Hospital. Rather than strip the vein, it is simply closed using radiofrequency energy. With the problem vein closed, normal blood flow in the legs can resume, and many patients return to normal activities almost immediately.



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