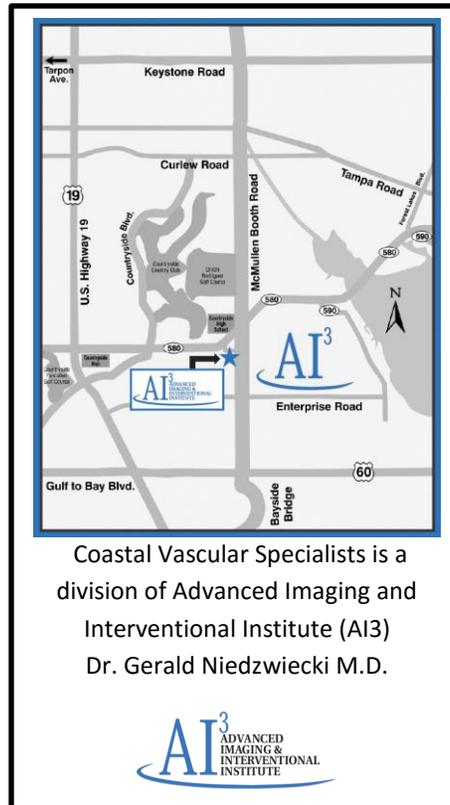


Why Do Patients Prefer CVS

Coastal Vascular Specialists is the first and most advanced FREE-STANDING Interventional Radiology and Vascular office in the Tampa Bay area.

1. **No Over Night Hospital Stays** – Patients will return to the comfort of their own homes the same day of procedures
2. **Less Costly** - The services that Coastal provides are much less expensive than the same procedures done in a hospital setting and provide a real financial savings. This could make a difference in hundreds of dollars for personal medical expenses from co-pays and deductibles
3. **State-Of-The-Art Equipment** - The interventional suite at Coastal has equipment which is more advanced than most hospitals in the Tampa area and is a national show site for General Electric Corporation
4. **Special Care and Patient Education** - Patients receive extensive education from the medical staff to learn more about themselves and medical conditions
5. **Highly Qualified Physicians** – All of our doctors are board certified Vascular Interventional Radiologists. Dr. Jerry is the present Chairman of the Economics Committee SIR and has been providing a major role in training standards for physicians performing Interventional Radiology
6. **Less likely to become ill from infectious disease** – 5% of all hospital inpatients acquire an infection of some kind during their stay, according to the US Department of Health and Human Services.



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Open sores or wounds occurring on the bottom of the foot are a sign of Arterial Disease.



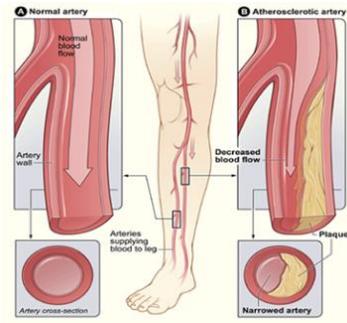
Although this could happen to anyone with poor blood circulation, approximately 15 percent of patients with diabetes are affected. Diabetes is the leading cause of non-traumatic lower extremity amputations in the United States, and approximately 14 to 24 percent of patients with diabetes who develop a foot ulcer have an amputation. ***If you have an open wound, call now to schedule a consultation. Do not wait!***

Have you been told that you are at risk for limb amputation? You have options — and the Coastal Vascular Specialists Amputation Prevention Center in Clearwater, Florida is here to help.

Facts About Amputation

- 90% of all amputations are lower extremity
- 77% Males
- 3 million amputees in United States, estimated
- #1 cause – vascular disease
- 50% of vascular amputations are caused by Diabetes
- 80% of diabetic amputations are over 50 years old
- Majority of Diabetic amputations are preventable
- 50% of all amputations never had an **angiogram** (an X-ray test that uses a special dye and camera (fluoroscopy) to take pictures of the blood flow in an artery)

Peripheral Arterial Disease (P.A.D.) is a term used to classify all non-coronary arterial diseases, mostly found in the legs in which plaque builds up in the arteries. PAD affects 8 to 12 million people in the United States, the risk of PAD increases with age.



PAD Symptoms

- The most common symptom of PAD is called claudication, which is leg pain that occurs when walking or exercising and disappears when the person stops the activity, pain in the legs or feet that awaken you at night
- Other symptoms of PAD include: numbness and tingling in the lower legs and feet, coldness in the lower legs and feet, and ulcers or sores on the legs or feet that don't heal

An angiogram can find a bulge in a blood vessel (aneurysm). It can also show narrowing or a blockage in a blood vessel that affects blood flow. An angiogram can show if artery disease is present and how severe it may be.

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Skin Changes: This happens when the leg veins are unable to pump oxygenated blood, back to the heart and it accumulates, causing discoloration.



Swollen Ankles: Valve damage may occur as the result of aging, extended sitting or standing or a combination of aging and reduced mobility.

Leg Sores: a shallow wound that occurs when the leg veins don't return blood back toward the heart the way they should.



Other Symptoms

- pain that gets worse when you stand and subsides when you raise your legs
- leg cramps
- aching, throbbing, or a feeling of heaviness in your legs
- itchy legs
- weak legs
- thickening of the skin on your legs or ankles
- a feeling of tightness in your calves

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