



Wisconsin Vein Center & MediSpa

What are the effects of varicose veins?

If left untreated, varicose veins can lead to swelling, increased pain, skin discoloration, and ulcerations of the lower legs. These ulcerations are difficult to treat and can become painful and easily infected.

How do I know if I have varicose veins?

Early symptoms include:

- Pain in legs with a feeling of tiredness and heaviness
- Swelling of the ankles or lower legs
- Discolored, brownish skin near the ankle
- A rash or skin ulceration at the ankle or lower leg
- Visible enlarged veins
- Knotted, twisted veins tending to be deep bluish in color
- Skin surrounding the varicose vein may itch or burn