

# VEIN HEALTH

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN VEIN CLINIC NEWSLETTER

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### RMVC One of First Clinics in Nation to Offer New & Innovative VenaSeal™ Closure System for the Treatment of Varicose Veins

#### Why RMVC?

Rocky Mountain Vein Clinic is one of the first clinics in the nation to offer their new and innovative VenaSeal Closure System Treatment for Varicose veins. Designed to improve blood flow by sealing-or-closing the diseased vein using medical adhesive versus heat, the new procedure touts a single small incision site, the ability to quickly return to daily activities, with most patients not having to wear compression stockings after the procedure.

RMVC was chosen as one of the top vein clinics in the country to offer VenaSeal because of its experience and quality of care. "We are very pleased to have been selected to offer the VenaSeal treatment," said Dr. Bo Johnson, MD, FACS, founder of RMVC. "It expands the already comprehensive options available to us, providing more flexibility in meeting our patients unique medical conditions and lifestyle goals while treating their varicose veins."

Montana and Wyoming are home to some of the largest aging populations in the United States, and are forecast to be 2nd only to Florida by 2025. With over 50% of adults 50-years and older expected to suffer from varicose veins, this is a significant statistic for RMVC. "We continue to lead the industry in offering the most advanced varicose vein treatments available," commented Dr. Johnson.

#### What is VenaSeal™?

Developed by Meditronic, the VenaSeal Closure System was designed to improve blood flow by sealing-or-closing the diseased vein. It delivers a small amount of a specifically formulated medical adhesive to the diseased vein. The vein is sealed with adhesive and the blood is rerouted through nearby veins. What makes the VenaSeal system unique is that it uses adhesive rather than heat to close the vein. It also requires only one needle stick of numbing medicine versus multiple sticks that are required with the other methods of vein treatment. In addition, in most cases, no compression stockings are required after the procedure.

#### VenaSeal™ Treatment Overview

During a VenaSeal procedure, first the vein is marked using a skin marker. Then, local anesthesia is given at the catheter entry site to numb the area. The doctor will then access the vein through a small incision. Once the vein is accessed, the catheter is inserted and advanced to the treatment starting point. The catheter's position is verified using ultrasound. VenaSeal adhesive is then delivered along the length of the targeted vein segment. The proprietary catheter is highly visible under the ultrasound, for precise delivery of the adhesive.

For more information, please visit [rockymountainveinclinic.com](http://rockymountainveinclinic.com) to view videos of the VenaSeal procedure, animatic of how it is actually done, and read a comprehensive overview of the treatment.



#### Key Benefits of VenaSeal™

- Improves blood flow by sealing—or closing—the diseased vein
- Delivers a small amount of a specially formulated medical adhesive to the diseased vein
- Seals the vein with adhesive and blood is rerouted through nearby veins
- Only one small incision site is required
- Can be performed under local anesthesia
- Immediate relief of leg discomfort and unsightly bulging veins
- Resume most normal activities as soon as you leave the clinic
- Most patients will not require wearing compression stockings post-treatment

### New Billing Procedures:

At RMVC we value our patients and understand that the financial portion of health care can feel like a burden at times. However, the current health care market has forced us to make changes in the way we handle patient balances. In the near future, when you arrive for your appointment, you will be asked to provide a valid credit card upon checking in. We accept most major credit cards including Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and CareCredit along with, HSA/FSA and Debit Cards. The card numbers are not available to any of our employees. We utilize a

secure gateway similar to any major retailer, hospital or other provider. Due to the increasing number of high deductible plans, and higher patient coinsurance benefits, this has become necessary for our practice. We will not charge your card until all of your insurance carriers have reconciled the amount you would owe. You will receive an Explanation of Benefits (EOB) from your insurance carrier providing the exact amount of your financial responsibility. We will review each EOB carefully and send you a statement

notification letting you know the amount that your credit card is going to be charged based on what your insurance plan determines to be your responsibility. If we have not heard from you within 14 days from the date of the statement, we will run your card for the amount due. RMVC still allows our patients to make payment arrangements on large balances. The arrangements must be made within 14 days of the receipt of the statement and the card on file will be ran for the agreed upon amount monthly until the balance is paid in full. We appreciate your understanding and look forward to taking care of you in the future.



### RMVC Welcomes New Doctors



**Dr. Bryan Potter, MD – Bozeman and Billings Physician**

Originally from Cincinnati, Ohio, Dr. Bryan Potter joined RMVC after practicing most recently in Chicago, Illinois. He completed general surgery training at Jewish Hospital of Cincinnati, followed by a fellowship in head and neck surgical oncology at MD Anderson Cancer Center. Upon receiving his certification from the American Board of Surgery (ABS), Dr. Potter practiced in rural Oregon and Washington where

he provided a broad range of general, head and neck, thoracic, trauma, gynecologic, and vascular surgical care. Subsequently, Dr. Potter relocated back to the Midwest where he elected to devote himself entirely to the management of varicose vein disease. Since 2012, he has earned the nationally recognized certifications in diagnostic ultrasound of registered vascular technologist (RVT) and registered physician in vascular interpretation (RPVI.) He is also certified by the American Board of Venous and Lymphatic Medicine (ABVLM.) When not attending patients, Dr. Potter enjoys a variety of outdoor activities including whitewater kayaking, horseback riding, camping, hiking, and scuba diving.



**Dr. Mike Orcutt, MD – Clinic Director RMVC - Great Falls**

A native Montanan, Dr. Michael Orcutt was raised on the family farm east of Conrad. He attended medical school at the University of Washington, surgical training at the University of Texas San Antonio, and performed his vascular surgery fellowship in Pennsylvania. In 1985, he returned to North Central Montana to practice general and vascular surgery in Great Falls. In 2004, he began utilizing endovenous laser

therapy (EVLT) and other minimally invasive techniques to treat varicose veins. His sole focus is to provide the highest quality care to patients suffering from varicose vein disease. In addition to being a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, he is also certified by the American Board of Surgery. Further, he is a diplomate of the American Board of Venous and Lymphatic Medicine, a member of the American Venous Forum, and a registered vascular technologist. Dr. Orcutt and his wife Lisa, an RN, live in Great Falls with two Labrador retrievers. Hunting, fishing, traveling, and camping are some of Dr. Orcutt's other passions.



**We have three convenient locations to serve you:**

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Billings, MT 59102  
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Toll Free (877) 251-8346

#### Cody:

125 West Yellowstone Avenue  
Cody, WY, 82414  
(307) 527-7129  
Toll Free (800) 418-0346

### Fourth Location in Great Falls Coming Soon!

If you have not visited our web site lately you should take the time to look at our new additions. Always a great resource for information on venous disease.

## RMVC to Open Great Falls Clinic in Summer of 2016

RMVC is pleased to announce that in the summer of 2016 we will be merging with Dr. Michael Orcutt, currently the physician owner of Centers for Advanced Vein Care of Montana in Great Falls. Currently, Dr. Orcutt and his staff are undergoing training with RMVC. Keep your eye out for an announcement in the next few months for this exciting new addition to our RMVC team, drastically increasing our service area and making easier access for our patients in the Central Montana region.



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You can follow our daily/weekly updates on activities taking place at our Bozeman, Billings and Cody offices. You can post a question for other readers or find out what others think about the procedures and treatment options.