

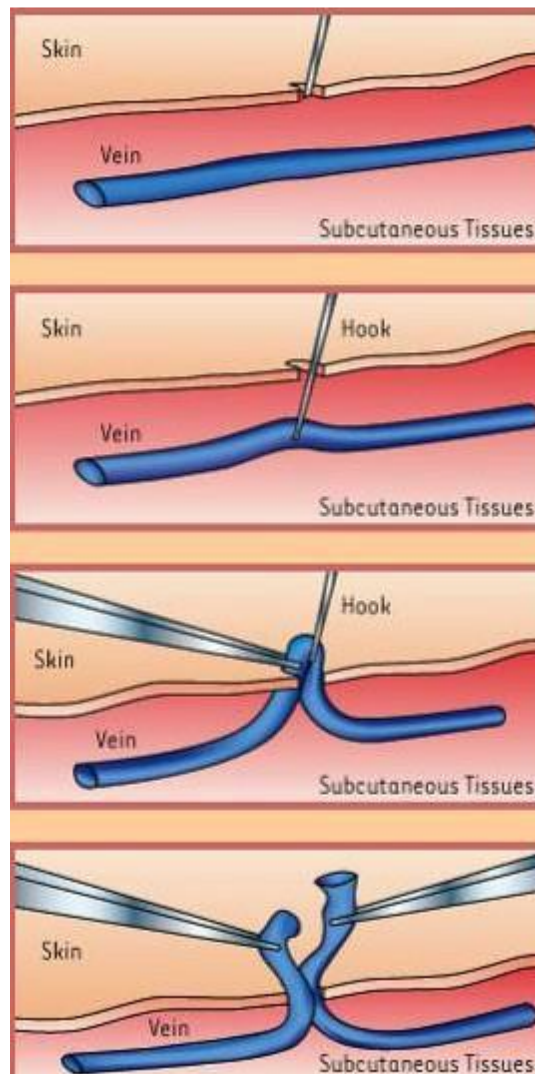


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A **phlebectomy** is an in-office procedure that involves the removal of bulging varicose veins. The veins that bulge out of the skin are considered “secondary” varicose veins because they’re actually smaller branches of the great saphenous or small saphenous veins.

The great and small saphenous veins are the primary sources of venous insufficiency, so they must be treated first with endovenous thermal ablation. Afterwards, the doctor can perform a limited phlebectomy to remove the twisted, lumpy veins through small incisions. This procedure usually takes 1-2 hours, doesn’t require stitches, and like thermal ablation, has no downtime.



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