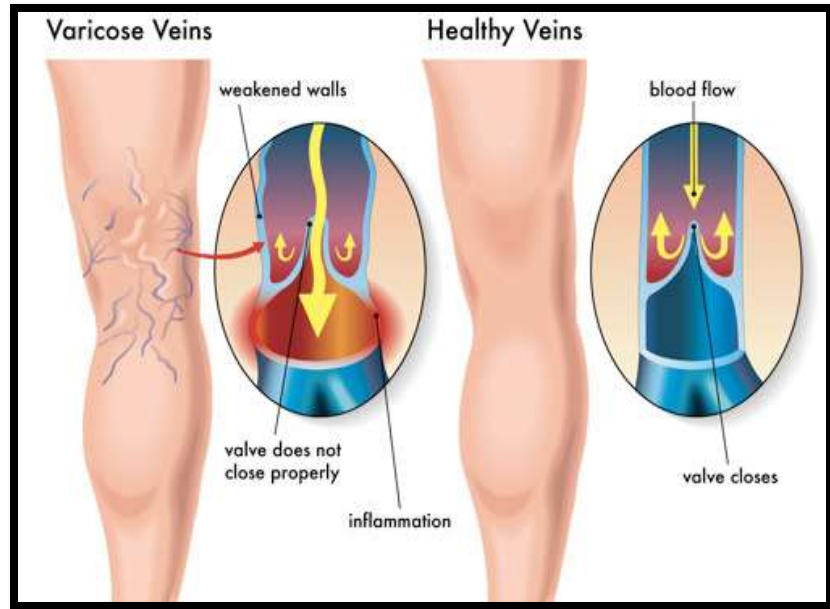


Venous Duplex Scan of Lower Extremity

Your doctor has requested an ultrasound of your leg veins. Ultrasound is a procedure that uses sound waves to "see" inside your body.

This procedure is performed to evaluate symptoms including leg pain or swelling, excessive varicose veins, shortness of breath, or suspected blood clots in your legs and/or lungs.



During Your Exam

- You will be lying on the exam table on your back with your hands at your sides. The technologist will apply a warm gel to your legs and a transducer or a small microphone will be used to examine your arteries.
- You will hear the sound of moving blood during the exam. Do not be alarmed; it is harmless.

How should you prepare?

- There is no preparation for this procedure.
- The test takes approximately 30-45 minutes.