

Top 10 Priorities

The Vascular Priority Setting Partnership

Setting the Agenda for UK Vascular Research

Vascular patients, carers and healthcare professionals have agreed the top ten research priorities across nine vascular sub-specialties.

ACCESS

Special Interest Group

If you have an interest in the top ten priorities for Vascular Access you can contact the Access Special Interest Group via: J.R.DeSiqueira@leeds.ac.uk

Top 10 Priorities for Research

Access

A final workshop facilitated by the James Lind Alliance was held on 25.7.21 and brought together patients and health care professionals to jointly agree a priority list for vascular access research.

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What can be done to make fistulas or grafts last as long as possible?

02

What staff education is needed to help them to understand the experience of patients living with a dialysis line, graft or fistula?

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What education do patients need to be given about living with and looking after a dialysis line, graft or fistula and the effect this may have on their quality of life?

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What can be done to avoid narrow segments from forming in fistulas or grafts?

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Is a fistula always the best option for all patients who need dialysis, regardless of age?

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What do patients need to know about the risk of having many procedures to place new fistulas, grafts and dialysis lines and the possibility of damage to the blood circulation system?

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What features of a fistula or graft make it better or worse at providing dialysis?

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What can be done to prevent fistulas becoming enlarged or at risk of a serious bleed?

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What can be done to make needling of grafts and fistulas more accurate to lower the risk of problems?

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What can be done to prevent infections related to dialysis lines?
