

2019 Vascular Program Core Service Criteria

CRITERIA	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Volume Criteria			
Minimum of 50 cases per year, or 100 cases per 2 years, of which the cases may be a composite of standard abdominal aortic aneurysm (AA) open surgical repair (OSR), carotid endarterectomy (CEA) and open or endovascular lower extremity (LE) revascularization	1	1	~
Minimum 60 standard and/or moderate AA repair procedures over a 2-year period, where ≥30 are endovascular aortic aneurysm repair (EVAR)	√	√	
Provision of advanced AA repair by both OSR and EVAR	√		
Infrastructure Criteria			
On-site vascular testing/imaging	√	✓	✓
On-site vascular lab	✓		
Procedure/operating suite for vascular procedures			✓
Procedure/operating suite with a high-quality x-ray imaging system	√	√	
Level 2 Intensive care unit/Critical care unit facilities			✓
Level 3 Intensive care unit/Critical care unit facilities	✓	✓	
Dedicated inpatient unit for management of vascular patients	✓	√	
Appropriate inventory of consumable EVAR supplies that are immediately available	√	✓	
Clinical Services Criteria	1	1	
Core specialized vascular care team with expertise and demonstrated competence in the management of vascular patients	√	√	~
Vascular emergency call services available 24/7, either stand-alone or in coordinated partnership with other local vascular programs	√	√	
Anesthesia provided by anesthesiologist with vascular experience	~	√	√
Access to inpatient hemodialysis for post-operative dialysis support	√	√	✓
CSF drainage capabilities	√	√	
Cardiac surgery program	✓		