

What is EECP?

Enhanced External Counterpulsation is a non-invasive outpatient therapy for patients with chronic angina pectoris. The therapy consists of 35 one hour treatment sessions done at our facility Monday through Friday for a duration of 7 weeks.

EECP works by utilizing mechanical sequential inflation of cuffs on the lower extremities which brings more blood flow to the heart and increases coronary artery blood flow in areas of the heart where the arteries are narrowed or obstructed. The resulting increase in oxygen-enriched blood to these areas relieves symptoms of chest pain and shortness of breath which occur as a result of blocked arteries. Patients who have had interventional procedures such as coronary bypass surgery or angioplasties and may continue to suffer from angina may be candidates for this therapy.

A complete patient screening is available at the Heart & Vascular Center to help you and your physician decide if EECP therapy would be a beneficial treatment for your cardiovascular care.

For more information go to the following website: <u>www.vasomedical.com</u> or call our offices at (847) 336-1600.