Endovascular treatments are the focus

The Society for Vascular Surgery has released new reporting standards focused on endovascular treatment of chronic lower extremity peripheral artery disease.

Recommended reporting standards for lower extremity ischemia were last published by the SVS in 1997.

The variety of endovascular devices and techniques to treat occlusive disease has exploded over the past 10 years and critical evaluation of the reported results may be problematic.

This document clarifies and updates the 1997 standards, specifically for reports on endovascular treatment. The document is divided into sections: Claudication Reporting, Critical Limb Ischemia Reporting, Preintervention Assessment and Nonanatomic Treatment, Intervention, Outcome Measures – Procedural, Outcome Measures – Disease Specific and Complications.

The linked document provides a summary for reporting endovascular revascularization techniques in the setting of chronic disease, with much of it based on prior publications and SVS-proposed standards.

The document also should:
- Serve as a guide for the design of clinical trials
- Be a reference for journal editors and reviewers when considering scientific work pertaining to endovascular therapy for chronic lower extremity arterial disease.

Read Reporting Standards