Veins are blood vessels that carry blood from your extremities back to your heart. Two common forms of venous disease are deep vein thrombosis (DVT) and pulmonary embolism (PE) [4]. DVT is when a blood clot forms in a deep vein in the body. PE occurs when a blood clot in the veins breaks loose and travels to the heart and lungs, where it can block a pulmonary artery.

The risk of DVT and PE increases as you age. [1, 5]

AROUND 30% of individuals with PE who don’t receive treatment will die as a result of PE within 3 months. [1, 5]

1/3 OF DVT patients will have a recurrent episode of DVT within the next 10 years. [1, 2]

300,000 - 900,000 people in the U.S. are affected by DVT and PE each year, leading to 60,000 - 100,000 deaths annually. [2, 3]

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