

WHO IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE PROGRAM?

Patients with the following wound challenges may benefit from the program:

- Crush injury
- Diabetic ulcer
- Pressure ulcer
- Arterial ulcer
- Burn
- Lymphedema with wounds
- Surgical wound
- Dehisced wound
- · Vascular wound
- Abscess
- Cellulitis
- Peripheral vascular disease
- Neuropathy





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PAM HEALTH LIMB SALVAGE PROGRAM



A multidisciplinary program with the goal to restore mobility and function and minimize or avoid amputation of affected limb.





LIMB SALVAGE PROGRAM

A multidisciplinary team of healthcare professionals leads our Limb Salvage Program. They are committed to decreasing the rates of major amputation and elevating care for patients with peripheral artery disease and critical limb ischemia (CLI) as well as improving patient quality of life and functional mobility.

One of the primary goals of our program is to prevent amputations with the hope of enabling patients to live independently, maintain or improve quality of life, and return to work and the activities they enjoy. In turn, saving a limb can also have a positive effect on the entire healthcare system.

Our multi-faceted approach fosters protocol-driven care involving both diagnostic and therapeutic modalities. We focus on treatments conducive to enhanced healing, limb preservation, and patient satisfaction.

PAM Health also has dedicated workers compensation executives who work closely with patients, family members, and insurance companies when the injury is the result of a work-related accident.

TEAM MEMBERS

- Vascular surgeons
- Podiatrist
- · Wound care team
- Physical therapists
- Occupational therapists
- Orthopedic and prosthetic companies

TREATMENT GOALS

- 1. Improving the blood flow to the limb
- 2. Healing the wound
- 3. Minimizing pain
- 4. Preserving the limb

TREATMENTS AND INTERVENTIONS

- Wound care
- Dressing changes
- · Doppler ultrasound
- Ankle brachial index (ABI) test (compares blood pressure in upper and lower limbs)
- Hyperbaric Oxygen Treatment (HBOT)
- Transcutaneous oximetry (TCOM) test (noninvasive test evaluating how much oxygen is reaching the skin through blood circulation)

What to Expect:

Patients begin with a complete history and detailed physical examination.

Most patients undergo diagnostic testing and screenings to provide comprehensive and detailed data.

Based on this information, our limb salvage team creates a revascularization strategy using the best treatment interventions specific to the patient's needs.

