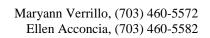
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Common Interventional Procedures and Definitions

TIPS (transjugular intrahepatic portosystemic shunt)	A life-saving procedure to improve blood flow and prevent hemorrhage in patients with severe liver dysfunction.
Uterine fibroid embolization	Uterine fibroid embolization, also referred to as uterine artery embolization, is a minimally invasive interventional radiology treatment that cuts off the blood supply to the fibroids, causing them to shrink.
Varicocele embolization	A treatment for "varicose veins" in the scrotum, which can cause male infertility and pain.
Varicose Vein Treatment	The saphenous vein is sealed shut through the use of a laser or radio frequency non-surgically.
Vena cava filter	A tiny cage-like device that is inserted in a blood vessel to break up clots and prevent them from reaching the heart or lungs. Prevents pulmonary embolism.
Vertebroplasty	A pain treatment for fractured vertebra in which medical-grade bone cement is injected into the vertebra.