The pros and Cons of VASCULAR SCREENING

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DISCLOSURES: None

SELF-EVIDENT TRUTH

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Possibly unnecessary and potentially risky CEA or CAS

A GOOD THING TO DO...?

WOULD I BE BETTER-OFF NOT KNOWING?!

SELF-EVIDENT TRUTH 2

AAA

- Most screening Dx AAAs are small (or even non-aneurysms!)
- Rupture risk of small aneurysms is exceedingly low
- No evidence that elective repair of men’s AAAs <5.5cm is of benefit (WOMEN ARE AT MUCH HIGHER RISK THOUGH)

Dx of AAA (likely small) reported to PCP

Referral to Specialist (VS, IC)

Possibly unnecessary and potentially risky AAA repair

Knowledge of AAA presence can lead to concern/unhappiness
Asymptomatic Carotid Stenosis

AAA (IMAGE)

PAD

Asymptomatic pulselessness

Intermittent Claudication

PAD identifies patients at very high cardiovascular risk.

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2. Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
3. Dermatomyositis

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Life Line Screening

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