

## Building A Vascular Access Program: Questions for Your Surgeon

Having a positive rapport with your local Vascular Surgeon's office will lead to greater success in long-term catheter reduction and help you maintain a successful vascular access program in your facility. As the Vascular Access Manager, here are some important questions to ask:

What are your office hours?	
What phone number should I call to coordinate care?	
Who is the contact person for care coordination?	
What type of accesses do you place?	
Where do you perform your surgeries?	
What days of the week do you perform surgeries?	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday <input type="checkbox"/> Friday <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday
What will you provide for the patients' medical record?	
What is your post-surgery protocol?	
Do you provide vascular access patient education?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
What can the dialysis unit provide to assist you?	

Following your surgeon interview, meet with your team to develop a process for patient referrals, appointment tracking and patient education.