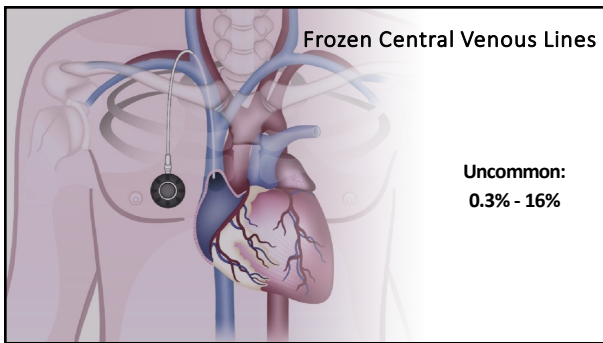


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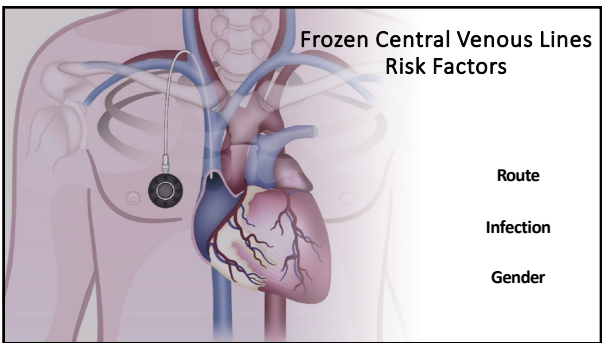
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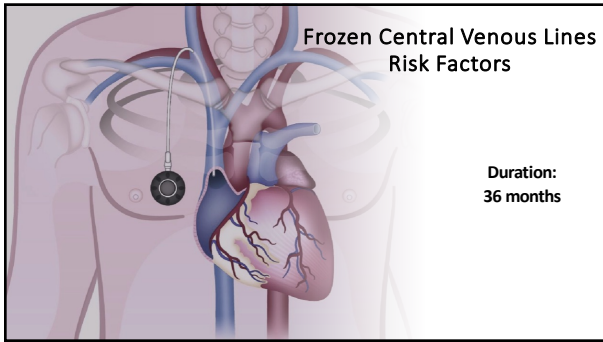
Frozen Central Venous Lines

Uncommon:
0.3% - 16%



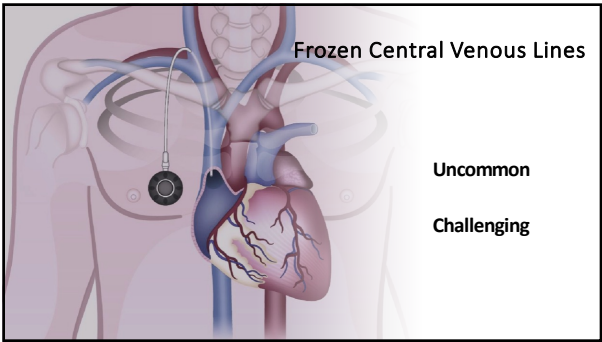
Frozen Central Venous Lines
Risk Factors

- Route
- Infection
- Gender



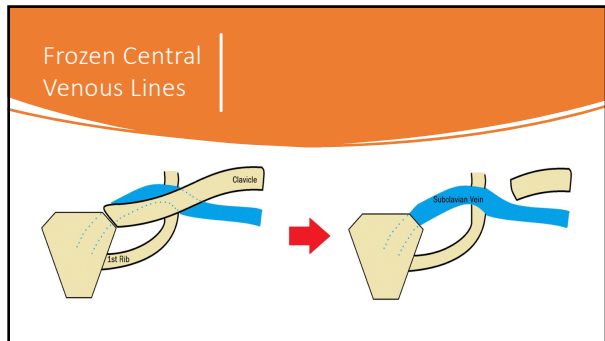
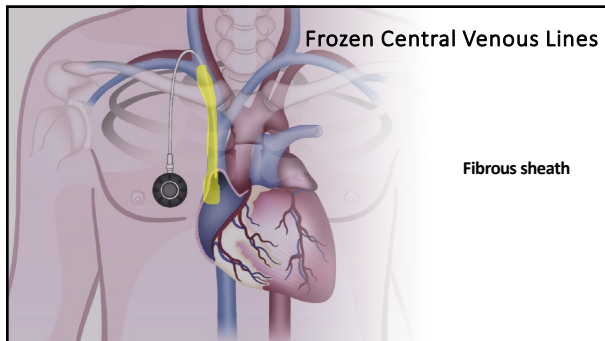
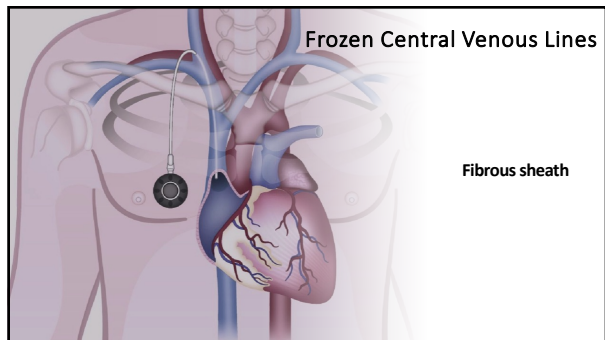
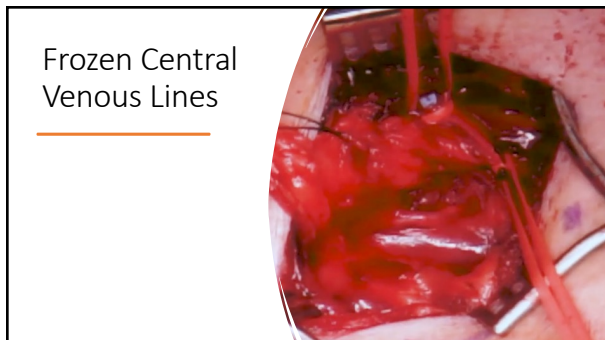
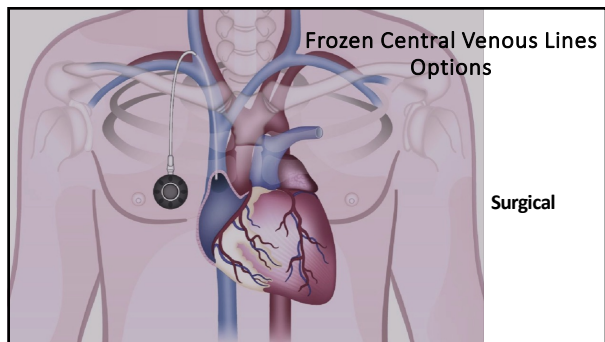
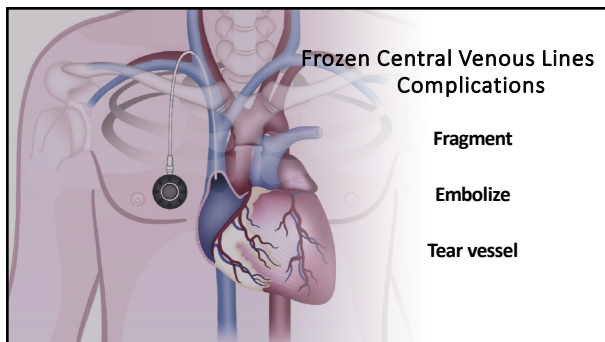
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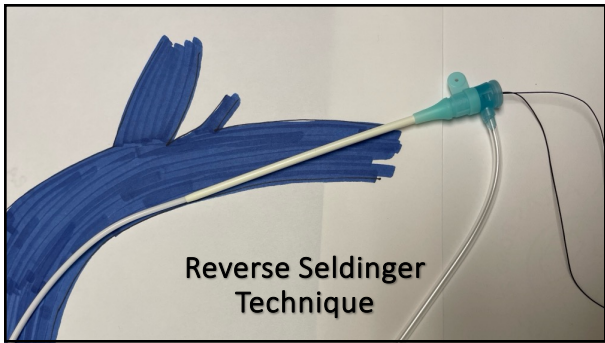
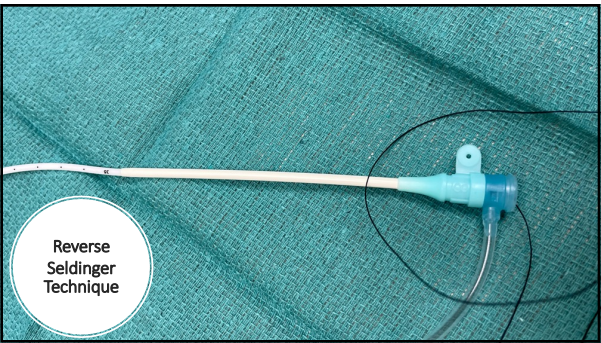
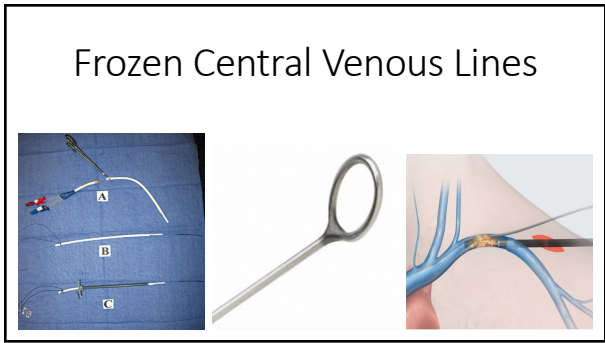
Duration:
36 months



Frozen Central Venous Lines

- Uncommon
- Challenging

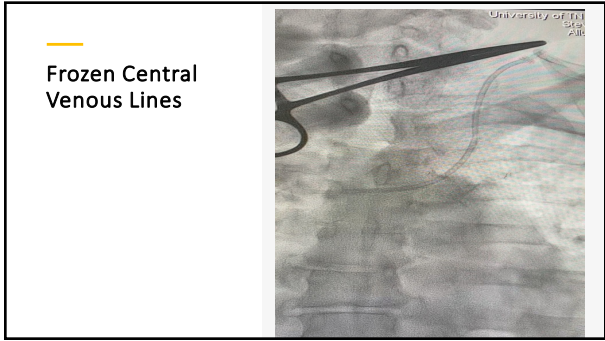




Frozen Central Venous Lines

- 52 Y.O. Female: pending bone marrow transplant infected port
- 45 Y.O. Female: long-term venous access - nonfunctional
- 72 Y.O. Male: melanoma – surgeon unable to remove the catheter

Left Subclavian
Greater than five years



Frozen Central Venous Lines

- Through and through wire rail
- 0.14 system
- Endoluminal balloon dilation
- Retrograde femoral sheath

