Important questions to ask your access surgeon
For ESRD patients

What do you think is my best access option? Why?

Are my blood vessels strong enough for a fistula?

Are my veins close enough to the surface of my skin for an access?

If not, can one of my veins be moved so it can be used for a fistula?

Be sure you understand what you have been told. It’s okay to ask:
• Can you explain that in simpler words?
• Can you repeat that?
• Can you write that down for me?
• Can you draw me a picture of what you have in mind?

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