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**NEW SOURCE FOR LIMB-SALVAGE TISSUE**  
**Vascular Transplant Services Launches a Unique Facility**  
**To Specialize in Providing Critical Vascular Tissue**

SCHAUMBURG, IL – Surgeons now have a new resource for their limb-salvage transplant procedures, thanks to Vascular Transplant Services (VTS), an organization focused exclusively on supplying quality vascular tissue.

In recent years, vein transplants have become an increasingly viable alternative to limb amputation, offering patients with severe circulatory problems — such as diabetics — the opportunity to continue living active lives. But a sufficient supply of donor tissue must be available for surgeons to perform these procedures.

Anita Jordan, President of VTS, says she hopes to establish her organization as the premier source for vascular tissue. “My team has dedicated years of research to developing processes that meet all industry standards. We want every surgeon — and every patient — to have the life-improving tissue they need.”

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The VTS team is comprised of senior-level medical professionals and surgeons who have participated in thousands of vascular transplants. Anita Jordan has extensive experience in clinical trials and FDA regulated programs specializing in anti-infective drug development. The facility's Medical Director is Ed Owen, MD, a practicing vascular surgeon with 27 years of experience. He is assisted by Technical Director James Byrd, CTBS, who has performed more than 6,000 vascular tissue recoveries. Also on board is Director of Operations Tim Stevens, MT (ASCP), a veteran microbiologist who has specialized in infectious diseases and drug development for more than 10 years. VTS has also assembled a highly experienced processing team, all of whom have been working as cardiovascular surgical assistants for at least five to 10 years.

Part of VTS' comprehensive approach to tissue distribution is the group's involvement at every step in the process — from medical screening to preparation to transplantation. VTS staff members meticulously process, prepare and distribute the tissue, according to industry standards. It is this high level of experience in vascular procedures that sets VTS apart. VTS also developed a proprietary broad-spectrum antibiotic solution that has been validated in eliminating a broad range of microorganisms.

Once the tissue has been processed, surgeons have the unique opportunity to thoroughly evaluate the tissue. Not only are the Medical Director and Technical Director available upon request to answer questions about each tissue and discuss its characteristics, but surgeons also have access to a secure website with additional clinical details. (more)



“What I hope people will recognize about us is our emotional commitment to making sure the donor family’s gift and the recipient are respected throughout the process,” Jordan says.

**More about Vascular Transplant Services:**

Headquartered in Schaumburg, IL with an office in the Memphis, TN metropolitan area, Vascular Transplant Services is a tissue provider specializing exclusively in vascular tissue. They handle the entire tissue process – from medical screening to distribution – and their clients include vascular surgeons across the nation. VTS works with only the most experienced recovery groups to select the highest quality tissue. For more information on Vascular Transplant Services, call 847-925-0979 or visit

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