

Post Thrombotic Syndrome



Post Thrombotic (throm-bot-ik) Syndrome (sin-dro-hm) or **PTS** is when your body is still hurt after you have had a **bad blood clot**.

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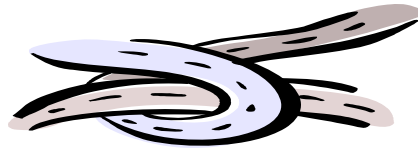
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What Is it?



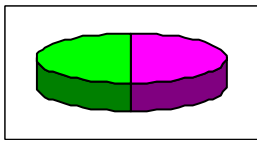
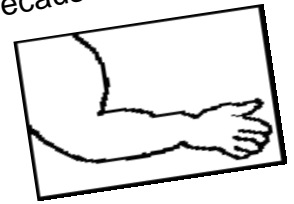
In four of every ten kids with **bad blood clots**, their clots **go away**. If some of the **bad blood clot** stays in your body it will be a scar on your vein. It is like a bump on the road and blood will flow around it. Your body is amazing; to get blood to your legs and arms your body will grow new veins that go around your **bad blood clot**. They are like by-passes on a high-way.

If your **clot** does not go away, you have a bigger chance of getting **Post Thrombotic Syndrome**.



What Does PTS Feel Like?

It may make your arm or leg where your blood clot is **hurt**, get puffy, or your skin may change to a **bluish** or **purplish** colour. Your arms or legs might also get **wider** because of it.



Half of all kids with a **bad blood clot** will get **Post Thrombotic Syndrome**.

If your **bad blood clot** does not get smaller or **go away**, you are **4 times** as likely to get **Post Thrombotic Syndrome**.



If your proteins are **different**, you **do not** have a bigger chance of getting **Post Thrombotic Syndrome**.



Will I get PTS?

There are some things that make you more likely to get **Post Thrombotic Syndrome**.

- If your **bad blood clot** doesn't get smaller or **go away**.
- If your **bad blood clot** is very big and blocks many **veins** or **arteries**.
- Even if you don't have **Post Thrombotic Syndrome** now, you might get it when you get **older**.

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What does this mean for me?

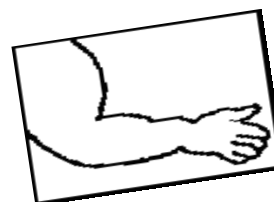


Your chances of getting **Post Thrombotic Syndrome** are the same, **no matter** where your **bad blood clot** was in your body.

This is not dangerous to your health but..

If you have pain or swelling in your body that bothers you close where your bad clot was


then...



call your  doctor who helped you to treat your blood clot.



Sometimes special socks may make your arm or leg feel better. (and you thought socks were only for feet!!)

Your  doctor can help you to get these if they will help.

