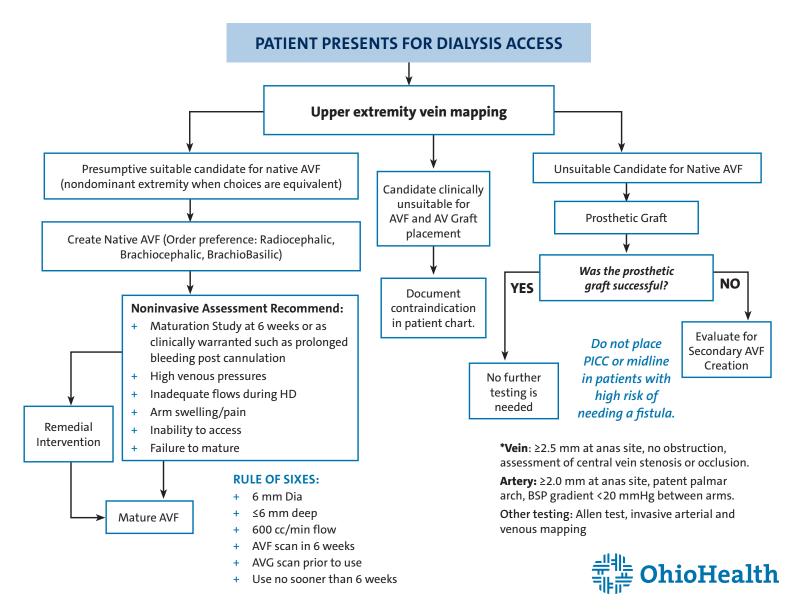
# OhioHealth Vascular Institute OHO

## **AV Fistula Clinical Pathway**

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# **AV Fistula Recommendations**



### WHAT IS A RECOMMENDATION?

A guideline outlining the OhioHealth philosophy for care and/or treatment of a specific patient population.

### **ACTION REQUIRED:**

- + VI Education Pillar: Communicate new recommendation at VI meeting.
- + VI Members: Communicate new recommendation at campus meetings.
- + Physicians: Use as a resource or guideline within your practice.
- + Nurses: utilize as a resource to address patient questions.

### WHY?

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### WHERE TO DOCUMENT:

Documentation should be maintained in the patient's medical record.

### **APPROVED BY:**

- + Vascular Institute Executive Committee: 10/6/2021
- + Heart & Vascular Clinical Guidance Committee: 12/14/2021
- + ED Clinical Guidance Committee: 05/21/15
- + Primary Care Clinical Guidance Committee: 06/03/15
- + Critical Care Clinical Guidance Committee: 06/24/15
- + Hospitalist Clinical Guidance Committee: 06/25/15
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