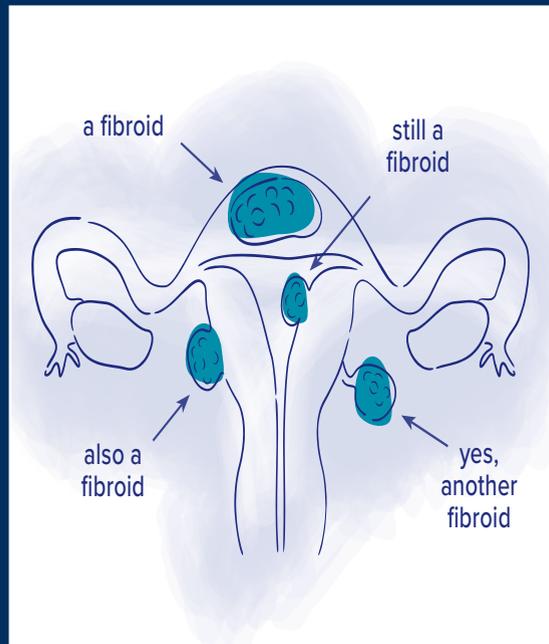


Acessa Fibroid Treatment



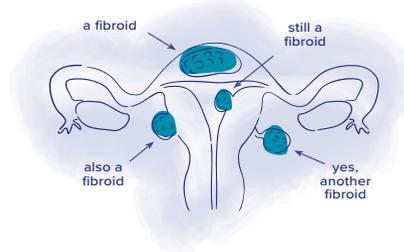
*Innovative Treatment
for Uterine Fibroids*



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What are Uterine Fibroids

Uterine fibroids are benign tumors that grow in or on the uterus. They are surprisingly common. Typically, women find out they have fibroids during a physical exam or ultrasound by their doctor.



What are Common Symptoms of Fibroids?

- Periods that last longer than a week
- Heavy periods causing bleeding through clothes
- Pain and pressure in your pelvis, legs or lower back.
- Unexplained exhaustion (may be anemia)
- Having to go to the bathroom a little too often

What is Acessa?

Acessa is a laparoscopic radiofrequency ablation specifically designed to treat fibroids. It works by delivering heat (radiofrequency) directly into a fibroid to destroy the proteins of the fibroid tissue. This process changes consistency of the fibroid from hard to soft and, as a result, the fibroid shrinks over time. Other symptoms like heavy bleeding and bloating will also improve over time.

How Long Will it Take to Feel Relief?

The procedure is an outpatient procedure and most patients are cleared to go home the same day. Many patients see the most relief within three months, and continued improvement up to twelve months and beyond.

Our Clinicians

All providers are board certified and fully-trained to perform the Acessa® procedure. They work closely with you and your healthcare team to develop a comprehensive treatment plan that is suited to your personal needs.



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Is Acessa® Right for Me?

The answer to this question is highly personal. It depends on your fibroids and body condition. Acessa® is designed to spare the uterus and can treat fibroids in most all locations. In addition, recovery time is quicker compared to other treatment options. For many, Acessa is the right option. It is important to discuss your personal situation with your physician, assess all your options, and make the choice that is right for you.

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