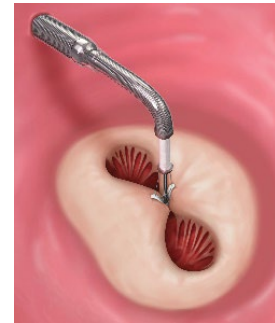


## Patient Selection for MitraClip

The MitraClip™ transcatheter edge to edge repair (TEER) device has become an increasingly useful therapy for severe, symptomatic degenerative (primary) mitral regurgitation (MR). Last year, CMS extended Medicare reimbursement for TEER to include functional (secondary) mitral regurgitation resulting from heart failure.

Patients eligible for MitraClip:

- Symptomatic moderate-to-severe or severe primary/degenerative or secondary/functional MR ( $\geq 3+$ )
- LVEF  $\geq 20\%$
- High risk/prohibitive risk for mitral valve surgery as determined by multidisciplinary team
- Anatomical suitability for procedure is determined after close evaluation of transesophageal echocardiogram (TEE) MitraClip protocol



Patients may experience:

- Marked limitations on physical activity
- Fatigue
- Shortness of breath
- Weight gain
- Edema

The Virtua Valve Clinic offers comprehensive evaluation and treatment for patients with valvular heart disease, including TEER, surgical mitral valve repair/ replacement, transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR), surgical aortic valve replacement (SAVR), among many others. Supported by the ACC/AHA guidelines, a team approach helps patients receive the quality of care you want for them.

If you feel you have a patient that would benefit from evaluation in the Virtua Valve Clinic, please place an order for **“Ambulatory Referral to Valve Clinic”** in Epic.