80 percent prefer the radial approach.2 Only 2 percent said they preferred femoral access.2

Facility benefits of radial access

- **Transradial Approach**: The Sublime™ Radial balloons and other devices of appropriate technical limitations of radial access for peripheral procedures. They are designed to help streamline interventional physician and patient needs.
- **Transradial Access Guide Sheath**: Smaller diameter sheath is recommended.25 It's preferred by patients, too.
- **Radial Access Results**: It's preferred by patients, too.
- **Myth**: Radial access is combined with same-day discharge vs. femoral access.8 Savings increase to $3,689 when radial access is combined with same-day discharge vs. femoral access.8
- **REALITY**: Radial access provides fewer complications compared to femoral access.9
- **Myth**: There is lower procedural success using radial access compared to femoral access.11
- **REALITY**: Radial access results in reduced radiation exposure compared to femoral access.22
- **Myth**: Radial access increases procedure time.4
- **REALITY**: Radial access increases procedure time.4
- **Myth**: Radial access length of stay is decreased compared to femoral access.5
- **REALITY**: Radial access length of stay is increased compared to femoral access.21

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Radial Access Misconceptions and Realities

- **Myth**: Radial access results in additional radiation exposure compared to femoral access.
- **REALITY**: Transradial approach to PCI has been associated with reduced radiation exposure compared to transfemoral approach for the radial artery.18
- **Myth**: There is lower radiation exposure associated with radial access compared to transfemoral approach.
- **REALITY**: Transradial approach to PCI has been associated with reduced radiation exposure compared to transfemoral approach.18

With the Right Partner, You Can Adopt a “Radial First” Approach

The traditional limitations of radial access for peripheral interventions include a lack of radial balloons and other devices of appropriate technical limitations of radial access for peripheral procedures. They are designed to help streamline interventional physician and patient needs. Sublime products, including the Sublime Radial Access Guide Sheath, are designed to help overcome interventional provider concerns and extend the feasibility and benefits of radial access to a larger number of interventional procedures. For most PCIs, early ambulation is possible following radial access4,5Increased case volume10,11Improved cath lab efficiency9

### References