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Personal Reflection:

These studies investigated AAA and Pop A in women as compared to men. Both were as large as they could be given the minimal numbers of women with these conditions, and added value to womens healthcare.

It was very unfortunate in the AAA study that those most at risk were least likely to attend, but just as worrying was the fact that women's quality of life decreased just from knowing about their condition. It raise questions about screening and quality of life risk benefits in general. The second study about popliteal aneurysm has no such issues, but was such tiny numbers that no major conclusions can be reliably drawn.

I feel that neither of these papers will lead to a change in my professional practice, but it is of interest to see how these papers link in with my own patients.