

## IAC Releases Updates to Adult Echocardiography Standards - New Standards Effective December 1, 2017

JUNE 1, 2017 | As an accreditation organization, IAC Echocardiography is committed to maintaining a program that balances the changing needs of both the echocardiography community and the general public by influencing the quality of patient care provided. The [IAC Standards and Guidelines for Adult Echocardiography Accreditation](#) are the most important component of that commitment. Composed by physicians and sonographers from the [IAC sponsoring organizations](#), the Standards are reviewed periodically by the Board of Directors and revised as needed.

As a component of the accreditation process, the IAC Echocardiography Board of Directors preliminarily approved the proposed Standards which were posted to the IAC Echocardiography website for a 60-day public comment period from March 1-May 1, 2017. Following careful review and consideration of the comments received, the Board of Directors voted final approval of the Standards.

Access the Standards

To view the updated Standards, please click the link below to visit the IAC Echocardiography website.

Download - [The IAC Standards and Guidelines for Adult Echocardiography Accreditation](#)»

Key Revisions to the IAC Standards for Adult Echocardiography

Key modifications are shown in the current Standards in highlighting and include:

- Technical Director Required Training and Experience (Applicable Standard 1.2A)
- Adult TTE Echocardiogram Report Components (Applicable Standards 3.4.1.1A, 3.4.1.3A)
- Stress Echocardiogram Report Components (Applicable Standard 3.6.1.1A)
- ATTE Testing - Cardiac Ultrasound Systems (Applicable Standards 1.1.1.3B, 1.1.1.5B)
- ATTE Testing - Techniques (Applicable Standard 1.5.1B)
- ATTE Testing - Components of the Transthoracic Echocardiogram (Applicable Standards 1.6.2.2B, 1.6.2.3B)
- ATEE Testing - Techniques (Applicable Standard 2.7.1.5B)
- Adult Stress Testing - Cardiac Ultrasound Systems (Applicable Standards 3.1.1.3B, 3.1.1.5B)
- Adult Stress Testing - Stress Echo Acquisition Systems (Applicable Standard 3.2.1.1B)
- Adult Stress Testing - Techniques (Applicable Standard 3.7.1.5B)

Standards that are highlighted are content changes that were made as part of the June 1, 2017 revision. These Standards will become effective on December 1, 2017. Facilities applying for accreditation after December 1, 2017 must comply with these new highlighted Standards.