IAC ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY RELEASES UPDATES TO ADULT STANDARDS

JULY 1, 2014 | 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, once approved by the IAC Echocardiography Board of Directors, proposed Standards are posted to the IAC Echocardiography website for a 60-day public comment period. Standards that are affected by the most recent public comment period (March 5, 2014 to May 5, 2014) are included in this published version.

ACCESS THE STANDARDS

View the new IAC Standards and Guidelines for Adult Echocardiography Accreditation on the IAC Echocardiography website.

KEY REVISIONS TO THE IAC STANDARDS FOR ADULT ECHO

The majority of changes are a clarification or explanation of the previous Standards, however, in some instances, the requirements have been modified. Key modifications are shown in the current Standards in highlighting and include:

- Personnel and Supervision - Technical Director & Technical Staff Required Training and Experience (Applicable Standards 1.2.1.1Aii and 1.4.1.1Aii)
- Personnel and Supervision - Technical Director & Technical Staff CME Requirements (Applicable Standards 1.2.3A and 1.4.3A)
- Examination Interpretation and Reports (Applicable Standards 3.2.2A and 3.2.3A)
- Patient and Facility Safety Guidelines (Applicable Standard 4.1A)

Standards that are highlighted become effective July 1, 2014. Applications submitted after July 1, 2014 must be in compliance with the new Standards.