



Proposed Changes to Standards Now Open for Public Comment

COMMENTS MAY BE SUBMITTED TO IAC NOW THROUGH JULY 1, 2012

MAY 1, 2012 | In keeping with the IAC's continued commitment to streamlining and simplifying the accreditation process, we are pleased to announce that the public now has the opportunity to comment on proposed changes to the Standards.

The Standards are reviewed periodically by the IAC Echocardiography Board of Directors and revised as needed. As a new component to the accreditation process, once approved by the Board of Directors, proposed Standards are posted to the IAC website for a 60-day public comment period. These proposed Standards include changes to current Standards, the removal of current Standards and/or the addition of new Standards.

Beginning May 1, 2012, the public may visit the IAC website at www.intersocietal.org/iac/comment_period.htm to comment on any of the proposed Standards until July 1, 2012. In order to provide comments, the IAC Comment Form must be completed and electronically submitted by the provided deadline.

To submit a comment on proposed Standards:

- Visit the IAC website at www.intersocietal.org/iac/comment_period.htm;
- Scroll down to the section for the *Standards* you'd like to comment on;
- Select the *Standard* you wish to comment on that is listed;
- A window will expand with the description of the *Standard* and the proposed change on the left;
- On the right, fill in your name and comment in the boxes provided;
- Hit submit.

At the close of the comment period, Board of Directors will review comments, consider modifications as needed and vote for final approval of the *Standards*. Facilities are notified of changes to the published *Standards*, and the most current version of the *Standards* can be viewed or printed from the website.