

PROPOSED CHANGES TO IAC ADULT ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY STANDARDS NOW OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT - COMMENT PERIOD NOW CLOSED

APRIL 2015 | 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 *IAC Standards for Adult Echocardiography Accreditation*.

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

Beginning April 15th, 2015, the public may visit the IAC website at intersocietal.org/iac/comment_period.htm to comment on any of the proposed *Standards* until June 15th, 2015. In order to provide comments, the IAC Comment Form must be completed and submitted electronically by the provided deadline.

One of the proposed revisions to the *Standards* (1.1.1.3A) includes a change to the Medical Director training and experience pathway. To read background on this proposed revision, please visit intersocietal.org/echo/main/pathway.htm.

At the close of the comment period, the IAC Echocardiography Board of Directors will review any submitted 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 IAC Echocardiography website at intersocietal.org/echo/main/echo_standards.htm.