

## IAC VASCULAR TESTING RELEASES UPDATES TO STANDARDS

FEBRUARY 2015 | As an accreditation organization, IAC Vascular Testing is committed to maintaining a program that balances the changing needs of both the vascular testing community and the general public by influencing the quality of patient care provided. The [IAC Standards and Guidelines for Vascular Testing Accreditation](#) are the most important component of that commitment. Composed by physicians and technologists 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 Vascular Testing Board of Directors, proposed *Standards* are posted to the IAC Vascular Testing website for a 60-day public comment period. *Standards* that are affected by the most recent public comment period (November 3, 2014 to January 3, 2015) are included in this published version.

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 – Medical Director & Medical Staff Formal Training Requirements (Applicable Standards 1.1.1.1A & 1.3.1.1A)
- Personnel and Supervision – Medical Director, Technical Director, Medical Staff & Technical Staff Continuing Experience (Guidelines)
- Examination Reports and Records – Final Report Requirements (Applicable Standard 3.2.6A)
- Examination Reports and Records – Policies (Applicable Standard 3.2.9A and 3.10A)
- Examination Reports and Records – Extracranial Cerebrovascular (Applicable Standard 3.5.2.1A)
- Examination Reports and Records – Peripheral Venous (Applicable Standard 3.8.2.4A)
- Intracranial Cerebrovascular Testing – Documentation (Applicable Standard 2.7.1.1B)
- Peripheral Arterial Testing – Equipment (Applicable Standard 3.2B)
- Peripheral Arterial Testing – Protocols (Applicable Standard 3.3.5B)
- Peripheral Arterial Testing – Documentation (Applicable Standards 3.5.1B and 3.8B)
- Peripheral Arterial Testing – Documentation, Supplemental Testing (Applicable Standard 3.9B)
- Peripheral Arterial Testing – Documentation, Arteriovenous Fistula (AVF)/Dialysis Access Graft (Applicable Standard 3.9.4B)
- Peripheral Venous Testing – Techniques (Applicable Standard 4.4.1B)
- Peripheral Venous Testing – Documentation, Lower Extremity Venous Duplex for Reflux (Applicable Standard 4.7.2.2B and 4.7.2.3B)
- Peripheral Venous Testing – Documentation, Venous Stents (Applicable Standard 4.7.5B)
- Peripheral Venous Testing – Documentation, Arteriovenous Fistula (AVF)/Dialysis Access Graft (Applicable Standard 4.7.6B)
- Visceral Vascular Testing – Documentation, Hepatoportal System (Applicable Standard 5.9.2.3B)
- Visceral Vascular Testing – Documentation, Renal Vasculature (Applicable Standard 5.9.3.2B)
- Visceral Vascular Testing – Documentation, Renal Transplant (Applicable Standard 5.9.4.2B)
- Visceral Vascular Testing – Documentation, Liver Transplant (Applicable Standard 5.9.5B)
- Quality Improvement Meetings (Applicable Standard 3.3C and 3.4C)

**Standards that are highlighted become effective July 1, 2015.** Applications submitted after July 1, 2015 must be in compliance with the new Standards.

View the new [IAC Standards and Guidelines for Vascular Testing Accreditation](#) on the IAC Vascular Testing website.