



DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING DEPARTMENT
ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY REQUISITION

Scans are by appointment only. PLEASE FAX TO (613) 354-7930 PHONE (613) 354-3301 (EXT 0)

Patient's Last Name: First Name:
Health Card #: Height: Weight:
D.O.B. Gender: Male Female Other
Address:
Telephone #: Alternate #:

SYMPTOM(S) (Check all that apply):

- Chest Pain Arrhythmia
Dyspnea Syncope
Palpitations Heart Failure
Hypertension Other:
Peripheral Edema

INDICATION (Check all that apply):

- LV Function Pericardial Disease
RV Function Murmur
Native Valve Disease Suspected Structural Heart Disease
Cardiac Source of Embolus Pulmonary Hypertension
Endocarditis Congenital Heart Disease:
Cardiac Masses Other:

PERTINENT HISTORY (include type/size of prosthetic valve if applicable):

DATE OF PREVIOUS ECHOCARDIOGRAM (if applicable):

PRIORITY:

- Routine
Urgent (appointment will be scheduled based on triage assessment by an Internist)
Emergent \*\* please call the Internist on duty to facilitate an emergent exam booking after faxing the requisition \*\*

Physician Name: Physician Phone #:
Physician Signature: Physician Fax #:

Date of Referral:

Table with 4 columns: Appointment Date, (DD/MM/YY) Time, Date Received, Date Notified



## ECHOCARDIOGRAM GUIDELINES

### Usual indications:

- Heart Murmur
- Native Valvular Stenosis
- Known or suspected mitral valve prolapse
- Congenital or inherited Cardiac Structural Disease (including Bicuspid Aortic Valve, Marfan's Syndrome, Atrial Septal Defect, Ventricular Septal Defect, Ehler's Danlos Syndrome)
- Prosthetic Heart Valves
- Infectious Endocarditis
- Pericardial Disease
- Cardiac Masses
- Interventional Procedures
- Pulmonary Disease
- Chest Pain and Coronary Artery Disease
- Dyspnea, Edema and Cardiomyopathy
- Hypertension
- Thoracic Aortic disease
- Neurologic or other possible Embolic Events
- Arrhythmias, Syncope or Palpitations
- Before Cardioversion
- Suspected Structural Heart Disease.

### Please give Instructions to patients:

- An echocardiogram is a safe and painless diagnostic procedure that uses high frequency sound waves to take moving pictures of the heart. Many measurements are taken during the test to determine how well your heart is working.
- No special preparations are required. Patients may eat and perform normal activities (unless otherwise instructed), and continue to take medications as prescribed by their physician.
- The test takes approximately 45 minutes to complete. A specially trained sonographer will perform the test.
- Patients should arrive 15 minutes before the appointment time.
- Ultrasound cannot be felt and does not hurt. If patients experience discomfort, they should notify the sonographer performing the test. There are no known harmful effects from diagnostic cardiac ultrasound.
- Patients will be weighed and blood pressure will be taken at the beginning of the test.
- Patients will be asked to lie on the examining table on their left side during the test and a series of images and measurements will be acquired over the course of the 45 minutes.
- Although the sonographer performing the test can see what is occurring with the patient's heart, they cannot provide any diagnostic information. The test must be read and interpreted by the cardiologist who will then send a report to the physician who requested the test. That physician will provide patients with the results of the test.

*We are located on the main level. Enter through the main front entrance and ask Information Desk for directions.*

*If you have any further questions please call 613-354-3301 Ext. 0*