



Introduction to Adult Echocardiography - Virtual Conference

March 24 – 28, 2025

[This program includes a Pre-course Online Video:](#) Imaging Fundamentals – The Basics by Lori Green, BA, RDMS, RDCS, RVT. Login to to your GCUS account and navigate to “My Activities” to complete this **prior** to the course.

Monday, March 24, 2025		
7:45	Welcome	
8:00	Interactive Polling Session	
8:15	Anatomy of the Heart and the ECG	Christie Jordan, BS, RDCS, RCS, RCIS, FASE
9:00	Break	
9:10	The 2D Evaluation of Cardiac Anatomy - The Parasternal Window	
10:15	Break	
10:30	The 2D Evaluation of Cardiac Anatomy – Apical and Subcostal Windows	
11:15	The 2D Evaluation of Cardiac Anatomy - Suprasternal Notch	
11:30	Live Demonstration: The Parasternal Long Axis & Short Axis	
12:00	Adjourn	

Tuesday, March 25, 2025		
7:45	Welcome Back	
8:00	2D Measurements and Normal Values	Christie Jordan, BS, RDCS, RCS, RCIS, FASE
9:00	Break	
9:05	Doppler Fundamentals	Steven Walling, BS, ACS, RCS, RDCS, FASE
9:50	Break	
10:05	Introduction to Cardiac Doppler	
10:50	Comprehensive 2D Exam	
11:50	Adjourn	

Wednesday, March 26, 2025		
7:45	Welcome Back	
8:00	Mitral Valve	Steven Walling, BS, ACS, RCS, RDCS, FASE
9:10	Break	
9:25	Aortic Valve	
10:35	Break	
10:50	Coronary Heart Disease	
12:00	Adjourn	



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Thursday, March 27, 2025		
7:45	Welcome Back & Introduction	
8:00	Doppler Evaluation of MVD	Daniel Bourque, MS, ACS, RCS, FASE
9:30	Stretch Break	
9:35	Doppler Evaluation of AVD	
11:00	Break	
11:10	Right Heart Disease	
12:15	Adjourn	

Friday, March 28, 2025		
7:45	Welcome Back	
8:00	Cardiomyopathies	Daniel Bourque, MS, ACS, RCS, FASE
9:00	Prosthetic Valves	
10:00	Break	
10:15	Diastolic Function	
11:00	Pericardial Disease	
11:45	Interactive Polling Session with Discussion	
12:00	Adjourn	

** This is a tentative course itinerary. Lecture faculty, times and dates may be subject to change.

Attention! This course includes the following post-course online training video (non-CME): “Echocardiographic Evaluation of Pericardial Effusions & Cardiac Masses” by Daniel Bourque, MS, ACS, RCS, FASE. Following the completion of this course, login to your account at gcus.com and navigate to “My Activities” to complete this video **within 2 weeks post-course**. **Access to this online video is limited to 2 weeks, beginning the day after the course ends.**



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NEEDS STATEMENT:

The planning committee has determined a need for the following educational activity based on requests from the medical community, expanded utilization of ultrasound, and lab accreditation requirements.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

At the completion of the program the participant should be able to:

- Increase the participant's knowledge to better perform and/or interpret Echocardiography examinations.
- Outline proper transducer manipulation and system optimization to produce diagnostic images (sonographer) and recognize potential imaging errors (Physician).
- State routine scan protocols to evaluate an adult patient using 2D/M-Mode/Color Flow & Doppler echocardiographic techniques.
- List standard 2D, m-mode and Doppler measurements
- Identify normal/abnormal characteristics of 2D cardiac anatomy.
- State the role of cardiac Doppler and list the necessary qualitative/quantitative measurements.
- Identify the ultrasound findings associated with valvular heart disease, cardiomyopathies, ischemic heart disease, cardiac masses and pericardial disease.
- List the latest imaging techniques in quantification of right and left ventricle wall motion. Document findings and apply standardized guidelines during compilation of an Echocardiography worksheet (sonographer) and dictated report (Physician).
- Increase confidence to incorporate protocols, techniques & interpretation criteria to improve diagnostic/treatment accuracy.

While offering CME credit this activity is not intended to provide extensive training or certification for interpretation of Cardiac Ultrasound Examinations. We recommend working under supervised conditions until an accepted level of proficiency has been achieved.

No financial commercial support or educational grants were received for this activity and no "in-kind" commercial support is provided as no "hands-on" instruction is performed.



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