

Introduction to Adult Echocardiography - Virtual Conference December 8 – 12, 2025

Monday, December 8, 2025				
7:45	Welcome			
8:00	Interactive Polling Session			
8:15	Anatomy of the Heart and the ECG	Christie Jordan, BS, RDCS, RCS, RCIS,		
9:00	Break	FASE		
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, December 9, 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,		
9:50	Break	FASE		
10:05	Introduction to Cardiac Doppler			
10:50	Comprehensive 2D Exam			
11:50	Adjourn			

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



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<u>This program includes a Pre-course Online Video</u>: 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.

Thursday, December 11, 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, December 12, 2025				
7:45	Welcome Back			
8:00	Coronary Heart Disease	Daniel Bourque, MS, ACS, RCS, FASE		
9:15	Contrast Utilization			
9:45	Break			
10:00	Diastolic Function			
10:45	Pericardial Disease			
11:15	Cardiac Masses			
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.



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This course also meets CME / CEU requirements for ARDMS. Note: While offering the CME credit hours noted above, activities are not intended to provide extensive training or certification for exam performance or interpretation.

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.
- 2. Outline proper transducer manipulation and system optimization to produce diagnostic images (sonographer) and recognize potential imaging errors (Physician).
- 3. State routine scan protocols to evaluate an adult patient using 2D/M-Mode/Color Flow & Doppler echocardiographic techniques.
- 4. List standard 2D, m-mode and Doppler measurements
- 5. Identify normal/abnormal characteristics of 2D cardiac anatomy.
- 6. State the role of cardiac Doppler and list the necessary qualitative/quantitative measurements.
- 7. Identify the ultrasound findings associated with valvular heart disease, cardiomyopathies, ischemic heart disease, cardiac masses and pericardial disease.
- 8. 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).
- 9. 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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