

Title: TRANSESOPHAGEAL ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY (TEE) & TRANSTHORACIC AND TRANSESOPHAGEAL ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY (TTE) PRIVILEGE CRITERIA

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POLICY:

1. Education: M.D. or D.O.
2. Training:
 - A. Cardiology
 - 1) Cardiovascular fellowship must include training in Transesophageal echocardiography, or
 - 2) Completion of a Qualified Manufacturers Course in TEE
 - 3) Given the non-invasive nature of the TTE probe, if a practitioner is proficient in TEE, they would be considered proficient in TTE as well.
 - B. Anesthesiology
 - 1) Anesthesiology residency, and
 - 2) Completion of a Qualified Manufacturers Course in TEE
 - 3) Given the non-invasive nature of the TTE probe, if a practitioner is proficient in TEE, they would be considered proficient in TTE as well. To be performed in surgical areas such as OR, PACU and SICU.
3. Experience: Demonstrate current competence and evidence of the performance of at least:
 - A. 25 esophageal intubations with TEE probe, and
 - B. 50 TEE examinations within the last two (2) years
4. Proctoring:
 - A. 5 cases proctored through retrospective review (Anesthesia)
 - B. 5 concurrent cases (Cardiology)
5. Current competency:
 - A. A minimum number of TEE cases will be required at reappointment time:
 - 1) Intraoperative (anesthesiologists) -5
OR
 - 2) Medical (cardiologists) -10

References/Standards:

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