

The Doctors Clinic Imaging Center Receives ICAEL Accreditation

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The Doctors Clinic, Cardiology Imaging located in Silverdale Washington was granted accreditation by the Intersocietal Commission for the Accreditation of Echocardiography Laboratories (ICAEL). The laboratory is one of a growing number of echocardiography laboratories in the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico to be so recognized for its commitment to high quality patient care and its provision of quality diagnostic testing.

One American dies every 32 seconds of cardiovascular disease, disorders of the heart and blood vessels. Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death in the United States, costing society over 83.7 billion dollars each year in health services, medications and lost work time due to disability. Cardiac structure and flow information provided by echocardiographic testing is useful in the detection and management of many types of heart disease. This noninvasive test has become one of the standard diagnostic tools in cardiology with an estimated 10 million echocardiograms performed annually in the United States. Echocardiography is a complex imaging technique that relies on the experience and training of both the physician and sonographer. Their interpretive and technical abilities determine the diagnostic accuracy of an echocardiographic examination. The ICAEL has developed this accreditation program which evaluates the quality of these and other critical elements of an echocardiography laboratory.

The ICAEL was established with the support of the American Society of Echocardiography (ASE), the American College of Cardiology (ACC) and the Society of Pediatric Echocardiography (SOPE) to provide a peer review mechanism to encourage and recognize the provision of quality echocardiographic diagnostic evaluations by a process of voluntary accreditation. A non-profit organization, the ICAEL is dedicated to ensuring high quality patient care and to promoting health care.

About The Doctors Clinic Imaging Centers

The Doctors Clinic is a multi-specialty medical group with more than 80 health care professionals providing services at ten clinical locations throughout Kitsap County. The Imaging Centers are full-service, state-of-the-art diagnostic facilities utilizing the latest in digital imaging equipment. Our technologists are licensed and hold advanced certification in their areas of specialty such as, ARRT, R, MR, CT, NMTCB, ARDMS, RVT, & RDC. With a mission of Excellence in Patient Care, The Doctors Clinic Imaging Centers are committed to personalized and compassionate care.

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