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(A) Policy Statement

Limited Echocardiographic images are used to obtain images of the heart for observing the general shape, and function of the heart.

(B) Purpose of Policy

A repeat echocardiogram may be ordered to re assess a patient for pericardial effusion, follow up for left ventricular function for oncology patients or for reassessment. Limited views are obtained to provide the information necessary for the diagnosis.

(C) Procedure

In the event the echocardiographic sonographer is unable to perform the standard complete two-dimensional imaging procedure as ordered, as much information as possible will be obtained. A Limited Echo charge will be generated. It will be noted on the typed report that the study was limited. A limited study may be performed as a follow-up study to provide information for a specific area of concern.

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