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IAC Introduces QI Self-Assessment Tool

MAY 16, 2016 | Ellicott City, MD – The Intersocietal Accreditation Commission (IAC) announces its launch of the IAC QI Self-Assessment Tool. Created to help facilities employ and document continuous process improvement, the new quality improvement (QI) tool provides a mechanism for meeting the quality measures required by each IAC diagnostic imaging accreditation program (Vascular Testing, Echocardiography, Nuclear/PET, MRI and CT).

“Designed to engage facilities by providing an easy-to-use mechanism to perform and document ongoing quality improvement efforts, our goal with the new IAC QI Self-Assessment Tool is to encourage facilities to think critically about their work quality and to continuously identify opportunities for improvement,” said Craig Fleishman, MD, FACC, FASE, IAC Echocardiography Board member and IAC QI Committee member.

A new feature of IAC Online Accreditation, the QI tool provides participating facilities a data-driven, objective measure of their QI progress for use in complying with the *IAC Standards and Guidelines for Accreditation* and fulfilling a variety of facility quality initiatives. Over time, facilities will be able to benchmark their findings both internally and with the imaging community as a whole.

“The initial feedback gained through the pilot process and from first users has been extremely positive,” remarked Mary Lally, MS, CAE, IAC CEO. “IAC is proud to make this tool available to the diagnostic imaging community, as part of our ongoing mission of improving health care through accreditation.”

Using the new IAC QI tool, facilities self-assess their own imaging studies and receive a quantitative report that targets opportunities for improvements, leading to enhanced patient care. Visit the IAC website at intersocietal.org/QItool to learn more about this exciting new IAC innovation, including a webcast providing a detailed tutorial for users.

About IAC

IAC provides accreditation programs for vascular testing, echocardiography, nuclear/PET, MRI, diagnostic CT, dental CT, carotid stenting, vein treatment and management and cardiac electrophysiology. The IAC programs for accreditation are dedicated to ensuring quality patient care and promoting health care, all supporting one common mission: *Improving health care through accreditation*®. To date, the IAC accrediting divisions have granted accreditation to more than 14,000 sites throughout the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico.

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