Checklist for Ultrasound Proficiency

Basic Ultrasound

- 1. Can verbalize how diagnostic ultrasound produces images
- 2. Can verbalize the relationship of frequency/resolution/penetration
- 3. Can distinguish between various modes of ultrasound (B, M, Color, Doppler)
- 4. Can verbalize Bioeffects of ultrasound and ways to maximize patient safety
- 5. Can verbalize relationship between patient/probe/picture

Basic Knobology

- 1. Can select patient and correct application
- 2. Can adjust depth and gain appropriately
- 3. Can use body markers and comments to label images

Basic Scanning

- 1. Can select appropriate transducer and activate probe
- 2. Can maneuver probe and image structures in orthogonal planes
- 3. Demonstrates proficiency in Sweep/Rock and Slide/Rotate/Heel Toe

FAST Protocol

- 1. Demonstrates ability to image the Hepatorenal space and potential spaces
- 2. Demonstrates ability to image the Splenorenal space and potential spaces
- 3. Demonstrates ability to image the subxiphoid view of heart and save a clip
- 4. Demonstrates ability to image the Posterior cul de sac in orthogonal planes

Focused Cardiac Scan

- 1. Demonstrates ability to image the heart in a subxiphoid view
- 2. Demonstrates ability to image the heart in a rescue parasternal view
- 3. Demonstrates ability to utilize M mode to document a heart rate
- 4. Demonstrates ability to identify pericardium and area for fluid accumulation

Focused Intrauterine Pregnancy Scan

- 1. Demonstrates ability to image the uterus from a transabdominal approach
- 2. Demonstrates ability to use the zoom button to augment the image size
- 3. Demonstrates ability to utilize M mode to document fetal heart rate
- 4. Demonstrates ability to save a video clip sweep through the entire uterus

Basic Networking

- 1. Demonstrates ability to order an Emergency Scan in IBEX/IDX
- 2. Demonstrates ability to populate a worklist on ultrasound machine/s
- 3. Demonstrates ability to complete an exam in IDX
- 4. Verbalizes basic troubleshooting techniques when system is nonfunctional

Checklist for Intermediate Ultrasound Proficiency

Introductory Assessment

- 1. Mastered and documented completion of Basic Proficiency in Ultrasound
- 2. Met with Ultrasound Director and Developed portfolio and vocational path
- 3. Completed all necessary surveys/credentialing

Intermediate Ultrasound

- 1. Can verbalize forms of attenuation and effect on scanning
- 2. Can verbalize secondary and tertiary methods to improve image quality
- 3. Can verbalize sonographic signatures of common anatomy and artifacts

Intermediate Knobology

- 1. Demonstrates ability to measure and calculate using preset tables
- 2. Demonstrates ability to improve image quality with focus/frequency/maps
- 3. Demonstrates ability to utilize Doppler and color flow correctly
- 4. Demonstrates ability to save video clips and multiple images

Intermediate Scanning

- 1. Demonstrates ability to scan a variety of patients and troubleshoot
- 2. Demonstrates ability to utilize range of probes

Transvaginal Ultrasound for Intrauterine Pregnancy

- 1. Demonstrates appropriate transducer selection and preparation
- 2. Demonstrates ability to image uterus in sagital and coronal plane
- 3. Demonstrates ability to zoom in on suspected pregnancy
- 4. Demonstrates ability to measure GS, CRL, and Uterus
- 5. Demonstrates ability to detect free fluid in Posterior cul de sac

Ultrasound Guided Procedures

- 1. Demonstrates ability to select and prepare transducer
- 2. Demonstrates ability to differentiate vein from artery
- 3. Demonstrates ability to cannulate a simulated vessel in Short Axis
- 4. Demonstrates ability to cannulate a simulated vessel in Long Axis
- 5. Verbalizes complications and ways to maximize patient safety

Intermediate Abdominal Scanning

- 1. Demonstrates ability to scan the kidney in orthogonal planes
- 2. Demonstrates ability to image gallbladder, portal vein, liver, and pancreas
- 3. Demonstrates ability to image and measure the bile duct along its length

Checklist for Advanced Ultrasound Proficiency

Advanced Scanning

- 1. Demonstrates ability to scan multiple organs and indications
- 2. Able to communicate sonographic terminology
- 3. Able to utilize ultrasound equipment and spectrum of knobs

Focused Critical Care Scanning

- 1. Demonstrates the sonographic approach to the patient in shock
- 2. Demonstrates the sonographic approach to the patient with dyspnea
- 3. Able to measure the IVC/RA junction with M mode and determine a rough guide to central venous pressure
- 4. Able to utilize ultrasound to demonstrate Endotracheal tube placement
- 5. Able to image the lung to determine pneumothorax, lung sliding, and lung point
- 6. Able to determine cardiac function and estimated ejection fraction

Focused Vascular Scanning

- 1. Able to image and identify Femoral/Popliteal vessels
- 2. Able to use B Mode compression techniques to rule out clot
- 3. Demonstrates ability to use color and spectral flow in augmentation
- 4. Demonstrates ability to produce an arterial and venous waveform

Focused Ophthalmologic Scanning

- 1. Verbalizes appropriate technique and concerns regarding US of the eye
- 2. Demonstrates appropriate technique for imaging the anterior and posterior structures within the eye without applying pressure to the orbit
- 3. Demonstrates ability to measure the ONSD 3mm posterior to the retinal line

Focused Peripheral Ultrasound-Guided Nerve Blocks

- 1. Demonstrates the ability to distinguish nerves at multiple levels
- 2. Demonstrates ability to recognize and identify surrounding structures
- 3. Demonstrates ability to guide needle and place local anesthetic within sheath