

WEST JEFFERSON MEDICAL CENTER
Marrero, Louisiana
PRIVILEGES REQUEST FORM FOR TRANSESOPHAGEAL
ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY

Minimum Threshold Criteria

To be able to use this form to request clinical privileges, the following minimum threshold criteria must be met.

1. *Basic education:* M.D. or D.O.
2. *Minimal formal training:* Completion of an approved postgraduate residency program in cardiology, anesthesiology, radiology, gastroenterology, or cardiovascular surgery that included, as a portion of the training, education and direct experience in TEE.

Or, if TEE was not included in the residency program, at least two formal programs or continuing education courses on TEE encompassing a minimum of 24 Category I hours. Such courses must include both didactic and laboratory experience, including at least 10 hands-on TEE procedures.

3. *Required direct and indirect experience:* Applicant should have performed at least 20 TEE procedures during a residency program or have current privileges to interpret echocardiographs and have performed at least 20 TEE probe insertions in conjunction with a fully-trained, board-admissible or board certified gastroenterologist or another individual experienced in TEE.

In no instances will privileges to perform TEE be granted to individuals who are not considered fully competent in echocardiography.

I understand that in making this request I am bound by West Jefferson Medical Center's applicable bylaws and policies. I hereby stipulate that I meet the threshold criteria for each request.

Physician's signature

Typed or printed name

Date

Approved: 6/97

"In general, core privileges consist of those areas listed above. The medical staff may modify or limit the privileges granted."