

VA Heart Failure Network

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Outline

- Announcements (5 mins)
- Implanted Monitoring Devices (10 mins)
 - Barry Massie
- National HF Training Program (30 mins)
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- Discussion (15 minutes)

Looking for Interested VA Echocardiography Labs

- Create a multicenter registry of low LVEF patients to be linked with other VA data.
- Work toward a standard echocardiography report.
- Implement reminders.
- Examine quality of LVEF measurement.

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Call for Description of HF Programs/Clinics

- Unique aspects
- Organizational factors (eg., leadership, resources, communication, staff, etc.)
- Why it worked (or didn't work)
 - Definition of Success
 - Lessons learned
 - Facilitators
 - Barriers

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Implanted Monitoring Devices

- Hemodynamic monitors or devices that assess fluid content.
- Interest in "centralized" monitoring group to deal with the data similar to the ICD program.

Next Call

- July 3rd 10 am Pacific/ 1pm Eastern
- Please let us know if you would like to discuss heart failure related programs/experience.
 - Positive or Negative
- Any VA investigators leading multicenter clinical trials looking for sites.