

SONOGRAPHY OBSERVATION INFORMATION

It is highly recommended that Multispecialty and Cardiovascular Sonography applicants observe a minimum of eight (8) hours in ultrasound departments in order to enhance their knowledge of these specialties. Because of the differences between the learning concentrations, we encourage applicants to arrange observation experiences with Multispecialty (4 hours) **and** Cardiovascular (4 hours) professionals.

When observing in a Sonography department, it is extremely important to dress and act appropriately. A professional, clean appearance is necessary as you will be observing patients. Clinical sites do have the right to send you home if they feel you are dressed inappropriately. Please follow the guidelines below:

- No jeans, low rise pants or low cut/midriff tops
- Wear low heeled, closed toe non-slip shoes and dress pants
- Shirts should be neat and tucked in
- No perfume due to potential allergies
- Cosmetics and jewelry in moderation

Notify the clinic if you will be **late** or **absent**. Be sure to speak directly with the program personnel or leave a message with the clinic office. Reschedule as soon as possible. Avoid canceling at the last minute. Be ready to ask questions however, if the sonographer is involved in a procedure, you may be advised to hold questions until it is completed. If you become involved in a situation that is uncomfortable for you, seek supervision immediately.

Observe patient confidentiality at all times. Federal HIPPA laws protect patient information. HIPPA is the Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996 that hospital staff members follow in order to keep a patient's medical information confidential. You are prohibited to share details of exams or identities of patients you encounter during observation situations. Some clinics/hospitals may require that you sign a confidentiality form. For more information, please visit: <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/>

Directions: As part of the application process, it is recommended that prospective students spend time observing in Multispecialty and Cardiovascular Sonography departments. This will hopefully enable him/her to have a more realistic and knowledgeable view of the professions.

Observation Hours: The following listed clinical sites and hospitals **may** allow applicants to complete observation hours, and you may choose to go to other facilities of your choice. It is each applicant's responsibility to contact the facility to schedule observation hours.

Multispecialty Sonography

Nebraska Methodist Health System, Omaha, Neb.
Nancy Westphalen PH: 402.354.4731

CHI Creighton University Medical Center, Omaha, Neb.
PH: 402.449.4000

Montgomery County Memorial Hospital, Red Oak, Iowa
PH: 712.623.7000

Fremont Are Medical Center, Fremont, Neb.
Lisa Barth PH 402.727.3769 lbarth@famc.org

Cardiovascular Sonography

Nebraska Methodist Health System
Bonnie Brabec PH: 402.354.3487

Jennie Edmundson Hospital
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Bellevue Medical Center, Bellevue, Neb.
bellevued.com/job-shadowing.html

The Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, Neb.
Melissa Christian mechristian@nebraskamed.com

SONOGRAPHY OBSERVATION TIMESHEET

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Student's Name: _____

Multispecialty Sonography:

Date of Observation	Time In	Time Out	# of Hours	Printed Name of Evaluator with Credentials	Signature

Cardiovascular Sonography:

Date of Observation	Time In	Time Out	# of Hours	Printed Name of Evaluator with Credentials	Signature

Evaluator: If you have feedback you would like to share with the Admission's office or the program director, please contact Katie Meints at 402.354.7207

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