

## EKG INTERPRETATION (ADULT) – BILLING ELIGIBILITY

### BACKGROUND

Only those physicians who have received approval from the College are eligible to read EKGs and bill for EKG interpretation. This policy defines the criteria which physicians must meet for eligibility to read EKGs and bill for EKG interpretation. Maintenance of competence to read EKGs is the professional responsibility of each physician who is or becomes eligible to read EKGs.

### SCOPE:

Applicable to all physicians, except those approved as of January 22, 2003 to read EKGs and bill for EKG interpretation. Those approved as of January 22, 2003 to read EKGs and bill for EKG interpretation are deemed to have met the eligibility requirements.

### REQUIREMENTS:

The criteria for approval to read EKGs and bill for EKG interpretation are any one of the following:

1. Successful completion of an EKG examination acceptable to the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Manitoba. EKG examinations approved to date are EKG examinations conducted by one of the following organizations:
  - a. the University of Manitoba
  - b. the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan
  - c. the American College of Cardiology
  - d. the American Board of Internal Medicine Cardiovascular Disease
  - e. the Institute for Clinical Evaluation (U.S.).
2. Certificants of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada
  - a. in cardiology
  - b. who hold the certificate of special competence in cardiology
3. Other specialist training in cardiology acceptable to the College.

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**A statement is a formal position of the College with which members shall comply.**