Policy for Consultation from an ACHD Cardiologist Prior to Interventional Cardiac Catheterizations for ACHD Patients

Date Effective: MM/DD/YYYY
Type of Policy: Please indicate if this document is hospital policy or ACHD program policy/clinical guideline.

Purpose
Indicate why this policy is in place and the population it benefits.

Policy Statement
State the actual policy that ensures that CHD patients receive consultation from an ACHD cardiologist prior to an interventional cardiac catheterization. This statement can be a brief overview of the cardiac catheterization consultation policy. Indicate what procedures are classified as CHD interventions by your institution.

Diagnostic and interventional ACHD procedures should only be performed by pediatric or adult (IM) invasive cardiologists who have experience in the evaluation and treatment of ACHD patients. The invasive cardiologists must collaborate with the ACHD physician and team for pre-procedure evaluation and peri-procedure consultation. Please include details about how the ACHD team and interventional catheterization team work together to care for ACHD patients.

Procedures
Describe the specific guidelines and procedures for the consultation process. This includes:

- Specific personnel or teams that are involved in the consultation process
- Location of consultation and interventional cardiac catheterization procedures
- Timeline of consultation and interventional cardiac catheterization procedures
- Details about any conferences or quality meetings related to the consultation or the interventional cardiac catheterization procedures

References
If applicable, please list any articles or other resources utilized to develop your institution’s interventional cardiac catheterization consultation policies.
Required Signatures
This document requires signatures from specific personnel. Please note that we require signatures from **ALL** individuals listed below in order for the document to be valid:

- Director of Pediatric Cardiology
- Director of Cardiology
- Director Cardiac Catheterization Lab (Pediatric Cardiology)
- Director of Cardiac Catheterization (Internal Medicine)
- Medical Program Director of ACHD

Helpful Tips
Please upload any documentation or examples of the above policy to the “additional files” section of your application.

Section G: Interventional Cardiac Catheterization. These documents should be labeled with “G1” only in the title so that each policy/plan can be easily identified.