

JULY EXAM OF FOCUS

PART 1 : LIVER TRANSPLANT ULTRASOUND

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We reviewed the Liver Tx and Abdomen Doppler protocols for our July Exam of Focus. I spent a lot more time than expected polishing up the Liver Transplant protocol due to us not having reviewed it in 2 years. I added information that will hopefully make it easier for new folks to follow and for you all to know what images are needed if you find anything abnormal.

I am not going to summarize the things added this time. I would like everyone at Montlake to read the protocol for any surprises or information you were unaware of. Please don't assume you know all that is written. This is one of our most common cases done at ML and it is important we are all on the same page. So that you have time to do this, and I have time to prepare the rest of the doppler protocols, I will roll out "Part 2: Abdomen Doppler" later this week or early next week.

We will start our QA review on both shortly after that. We will be starting it earlier than usual to give people more time to be able to complete the reviews in hopes that results in greater participation.

READ: LIVER TX PROTOCOL [here](#)

Please let me know if you catch any mistakes - kind of like the last protocol still had GB image info in it. Oops, copy and pasted from Abd Doppler and failed to catch that, but I guess no one else saw it in the 2 years its been out there either, lol. Time for us all to actually read it more closely!

Snapshot of the history table to give you a few things added to look out for:

Reviewed	6/27/2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Added: assess for collaterals -Changed: RK not required for Split liver left lobe only. -Added: HA velocity and tardus parvus info -Added: PV velocity info -Added: monophasic HV info -Added: additional IVC info -Added: Splenic vein velocity if evidence of PHTN or collaterals are seen 	Protocol Meeting Attendees: Manjiri Dighe, Shaun Bornemeier, Dalene Edden, Renee Betit Fitzgerald, Becky Marion
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PART 2: SNEAK PEAK:

You will likely welcome a change made to the Abdomen Doppler protocol for TIPS patients - if the indication is strictly for HCC screening, we do not have to do the dopplers! Color image of the MPV is sufficient. (If it is reversed, please do the dopplers though.)

