

## Ultrasound Working Party Meeting

21 Portland Place -19<sup>th</sup> June 2009

### **1. Ultrasound in Anaesthesia Introduction Chapter**

Grandfather clause – for experienced practitioners in place. To be time limited.

Two approaches – one for trainees and one for consultants in place.

Levels 1,2 and 3 – taken from RCR and RCEM.

Level 1 – able to perform scans

Level 2 – trainer

Level 3 – specialist eg echosonographer, consultant radiologist, ultrasonographer.

To become a trainer – minimum is level 2

Strongly recommended that images to be stored for training

Trusts to develop policy for recording images

### **2. Vascular**

Core skills of IJV and FV, peripheral and arterial

Extended includes PICC

Not to be able to assess thrombus

Able to assess fluid status by IVC scanning

Not to be numbers based

### **3. Regional Anaesthesia**

Core blocks as per regional anaesthesia block

To be updated

### **4. Emergency FAST scans**

Free fluid assessment, assessment for ruptured AAA, fluid status of IVC in spontaneous and ventilated, assessment of bladder as core. Not FAST in its entirety

### **5. Thoracic**

To have a section for airway and tracheostomy as Level 2.

### **6. ECHO**

For peri-resuscitation status as level 1 core. FOCUS scan. Extended for more.

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