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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Nine  
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An Act relative to sonographers and vascular technologists..

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the  
2 following section:—

3 Section 220. Any sonographer or vascular technologist who pursuant to section 9 of  
4 chapter 118E provides the technical component of a diagnostic ultrasound service shall be  
5 credentialed in the appropriate modality by the American Registry for Diagnostic Medical  
6 Sonography or by Cardiovascular Credentialing International or most practice in a laboratory  
7 accredited by the American Institute on Ultrasound in Medicine, the American Society for the  
8 Inter-Societal Accreditation of Vascular Laboratories, the Inter-Societal Commission or the  
9 Accreditation of Echocardiography Laboratories.

10 For purposes of this section, the following shall apply:

11 A sonographer or vascular technologist is also know as an “ultrasound technologist” or  
12 “sinologist.”

“Sonographer or vascular technologist” means any non-physician who is qualified by national credentialing to perform diagnostic medical ultrasound.

(1) Any sonographer or vascular technologist who is credentialed as required in subdivision (a) shall, in performing a diagnostic ultrasound, perform the work under the supervision of a licensed physician or surgeon.

For purposes of this section, licensed physician or surgeon means any physician or surgeon, licensed pursuant to chapter 112.

A health facility or provider wishing to secure coverage and payment under the Medicaid program for diagnostic ultrasound service shall develop policies and procedures to implement the requirements of this section and must meet the requirements of this section.

This section and policies and procedures adopted pursuant to this section shall not prohibit any physician or surgeon licensed pursuant to chapter 112 from performing the technical component of a diagnostic ultrasound.