



News & Updates

The latest from the leading provider of online education and PICC Certification in the specialty of vascular access.

July 2021



Greetings from the desk of PICC Excellence!

Summer doesn't stop the entire medical community from working hard for their patients and it doesn't stop PICC Excellence from providing superior training and education for those who serve in the healthcare field. We are pleased to offer new and innovative courses month after month.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for the AVA 2021 Annual Meeting in September. Our CEO, Dr. Nancy Moureau will be participating in round table discussions and seminars throughout the event. If you plan to attend, please visit our booth (#518) at the conference.

As loyal readers of our monthly newsletter, we want to offer you a special discount code for the relaunch of STATStart – Everything you need to know to become PICC Certified. See details below on this exclusive offer.

Craving in-person learning? We have new PICC and Ultrasound workshops coming up in Atlanta! Find out more below.

Enjoy our July Newsletter and reach out to us if you have any questions. Call us at 888-714-1951 or send us an email, info@piccexcellence.com.



Parent's Guide
to Cord Blood
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July is Cord Blood Awareness Month

Sponsored by the **Parent's Guide to Cord Blood** - an organization with the mission to educate parents with accurate and balanced information about cord blood banking, medical therapies and cord blood storage options.

[Parent's Guide to Cord Blood Foundation](http://www.parentsguide.org)

We're Exhibiting at

AVA 2021

SEPTEMBER 16-19

#AVASM21 | Gaylord Palms | Orlando, Florida

The countdown to

AVA 2021 is on!

LESS THAN 2 MONTHS AWAY

September 16-19

We know you won't want to miss **AVA 2021!** This meeting will be jammed packed with dynamic speakers and relevant sessions that will deliver the strategies, knowledge, and resources you need to deliver the best care to your patients or to mentor others at your facility.

Come see us in Orlando at Booth 518

Mention the newsletter and

receive a **free gift!**

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BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

We are relaunching

STATStart

Everything you need to know to get started with PICC.



PERIPHERALLY INSERTED
CENTRAL VENOUS CATHETERS

STATStart for PICC has been an extremely popular course offered to beginners, and as a training tool for managers. For our newsletter readers we are offering a discount.

Email us at StatStart@PICCExcellence.com to request the special discount code.

Ask Dr. Nancy Moureau



Each month we feature Q&A's from our newsletter subscribers

Have a question or want to share your thoughts with us? Email us at info@piccexcellence.com or call (706) 377-3360

Nancy,

I wanted to reach out to you regarding the process of having our learners check off for their PICC and midline insertions. Can you guide me through this and provide me some information on how PICC excellence could help with this?

I know when we began using PICC Excellence we had a rep come to check off our learners. Can you provide me detailed information on this or who I need to contact regarding this?

Thank You for your help

ANSWER:

Hello,

I am happy to help. The process of establishing competency assessments is an important one and certainly pertinent to policies that Joint Commission scrutinizes. Competency assessment check offs can be performed by a manager, supervisor or a peer.

As part of our PICC Certification program (CPUI Certified PICC Ultrasound Inserter) and maintaining their status through recertification we require the check offs to be submitted every two years verifying they are active inserters and competent with the procedure. This process was designed to be exactly what you are evaluating and questioning, how to complete competency check-offs and keep them current.

Each person who receives the CPUI certification must submit a competency check-off to qualify initially (plus other qualifications) and maintain the certification through recertification with the check-off, the education and the insertion history. When a hospital includes the CPUI active status as part of the policy it proves the requirement for competency assessment check-offs have been done. You can verify active CPUI status on our website for each person who correctly recertifies. Our cost of recertification remains low to encourage maintenance of their status and to provide documentation of education, and competency assessment. PICC Excellence maintains the documentation in each account for easy access by the inserter.

PICC Excellence does provide hospitals with hospital evaluations and inserter assessments at a yearly contracted rate. The representatives you are likely referring to are probably the manufacturer. I know many of the manufacturers have discontinued this check-off process after the initial education and with the COVID crisis.

In summary, your options are to have inserters complete their competency assessment by supervisory or peer review, utilize the CPUI PICC Certification process, or contract for the yearly service. Find out more information on CPUI, PICC Certification on our website: About CPUI and Pathway to PICC Certification.

I hope this provides you with the details you need regarding competency assessment. I am happy to answer any questions or assist at any time.

Wishing you all the best,
Nancy

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Join us for Face-to-Face
Learning and Networking.
Adult PICC and Ultrasound
workshops:



August 23-24, 2021 in Atlanta

October 18-19, 2021 in Atlanta

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**2021 Adult PICC and
Ultrasound Workshop dates
have been released**
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