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## 2027 SCA Echo “Echo Wars” Case Submission Guidelines

**Submissions Open on Monday, July 27, 2026, and Close on Friday, August 28, 2026**

The Society of Cardiovascular Anesthesiologists invites fellows and early-career attendings (within five years of completing training) to submit echocardiography-based case reports for consideration for presentation during the “Echo Wars” session at the 2027 SCA Echo Meeting in Nashville, Tennessee from **February 4-7, 2027**.

**Note:** All fellow submissions must have an attending named on the submission who will mentor the presenter.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Submission site **opens on Monday, July 27, 2026**.
- Submission site **closes on Friday, August 28, 2026, at 11:59pm ET**.
  - Additional submissions will not be accepted after the submission site closes.
  - If you do not receive email confirmation of your case report submission within 30 minutes of finalizing your case report submission, please contact SCA Program Manager at [nbaus@veritasamc.com](mailto:nbaus@veritasamc.com).
  - Co-Authors must complete their disclosure forms by **Friday, August 28, 2026**.
  - The submission will not be reviewed unless **all** listed authors complete their profile and required disclosure form by the deadline.
  - Notification of acceptance decisions will be sent by the end of September 2026.

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR ONLINE CASE REPORT SUBMISSION

The submission **MUST** include **ALL** the following, unless otherwise specified:

1. Authors' Information
2. Disclosure Form
3. Submission Overview
  - Introduction Paragraph
    - State why the echocardiographic finding is presented to the panel.
  - Brief Summary of the Clinical Case
  - Discussion – listed twice
    - Please enumerate the points which the author will make during the presentation, such as:
      - Techniques, views, or calculations employed to evaluate the echocardiographic finding.
      - Impact of the echocardiographic finding on clinical decision making.
      - Teaching point of the case.
4. Echocardiographic Video and Images
  - Video clips **MUST** accompany the submission.
    - Accepted video formats: MP4 (preferred), MOV, or AVI.
    - The optimal video frame dimensions are 480×360 pixels.
    - Use video-compression software to reduce size, if necessary.
    - A total of 2 videos may be submitted. If you prefer, you may combine clips into one video.
    - If you combine clips, please allow enough time for each clip and leave a gap between



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clips.

- Echocardiographic still images and/or non-echocardiographic still images (optional)
  - Should be of high quality but cannot be larger than 1 MB
  - Accepted file formats: .jpg, .tiff, or .bmp
- 5. References
- 6. Affirmation
- 7. Copyright Permissions

#### **GENERAL RULES**

- Submissions must be made by a fellow or a junior attending who is less than five (5) years from training. All fellow submissions must have an attending named on the submission who will mentor the presenter.
- Individuals may serve as the submitting/presenting author on only one submission.
- Abstracts/cases that are published or presented at other national and international meetings prior to the SCA Echo will not be permitted to be presented.
  - If there is a potential conflict regarding an abstract already being presented or published, it is the responsibility of the submitting author to contact SCA at the time of submission. Failure to comply may result in the abstract being disqualified.
- Only cases submitted in the appropriate format will be considered.
- The submitted text and images must be HIPAA compliant, including masking of all patient identification material. Images with patient identifiers will not be reviewed and will be rejected.
- Abstract co-authors will receive emailed requests for disclosures of conflicts of interests after the submitting author submits the abstract. If a co-author fails to submit his/her disclosures, the abstract will not be reviewed and will be rejected.
- Do not include author names, institution names, or other identifying information within the case description, image legends, figures, or videos.

#### **SUBMISSION REVIEWS**

All abstracts undergo a blinded peer-review process and will be reviewed on the following criteria:

- Teaching point of the case.
- Provides opportunity for discussion.
- Illustrates new echo technology.
- Quality of video/still images submitted.

#### **ACCEPTANCE REQUIREMENTS**

- Selected presenters will be required to register for the 2027 SCA Echo meeting and present their case live during the “Echo Wars” session.
- Authors will not be provided complimentary registration or any other financial reward. The submitting author must be the presenting author.