

CARDIOLOGY ASSOCIATES, P.C. PARTNERS WITH THE SCHOOL OF DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY AT MONTGOMERY COLLEGE

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Cardiology Associates, P.C. (CAPC) recently entered into an educational commitment with The School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography at Montgomery College in Silver Spring, Maryland. Becoming a clinical affiliate of the college offers a valuable experience both for the students in the program and the CAPC staff.

During the summer of 2008, CAPC hosted the first student intern, Bela Shukla. For 10 weeks, Bela, a first year cardiac ultrasound student, joined CAPC as a part of the required clinical rotations needed to graduate as a Cardiac Sonographer. Bela worked closely with the staff in the K Street office including Wendy Evans, Echo Lab Technical Director and Clinical Instructor for the Montgomery College affiliation. Bela "shadowed" Wendy as she learned basic echo scanning techniques as well as proper reporting, documentation and daily functions of the Echo Lab. "I enjoyed my clinical rotation at CAPC. Everyone was so nice and I learned so much from Wendy," Bela said upon completing the rotation.



Bela Shukla, a first year cardiac ultrasound student complete her clinical rotation with Wendy Evans, Technical Director, and Dr. Reginald Robinson at the K Street office.

"If all of the students are as smart and prepared as this first one, all I can say is they have a terrific Ultrasound program," Wendy Evans said about the School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography. By the end of the 10 weeks, Bela was scanning complete studies with supervision.

Cardiology Associates is excited about this enriching new venture; it is a "win-win" situation. The opportunity to introduce talented future health care professionals to the wealth of medical knowledge of our experienced physicians and staff helps ensure excellent patient care to our community. Cardiology Associates' relationship with one of the area's finest community colleges helps provide a well-educated pool of Cardiac Sonographers for the benefit of future patients and physicians.