



Registrant Spotlight

The Baptist Heart & Vascular Institute

The Baptist Heart & Vascular Institute cardiac catheterization (Cath) and electrophysiology (EP) labs have achieved the ambitious goal of having 100% of all Cath and EP lab team members earn a certification from Cardiovascular Credentialing International. All team members who are eligible in the cath and EP labs



have become either registered cardiovascular invasive specialists (RCIS) and or registered cardiac electrophysiology specialists

(RCES). This higher level of specialization is in addition to the clinical professional licenses in registered nursing and radiologic technology team members already possess. Cardiac catheterization and electrophysiology team members at Baptist and Gulf Breeze hospitals began this journey over three years ago to gain a higher level of certification and raise the bar in this area of care that is integral to diagnosis and treatment of cardiovascular disease.

“Patient care is the driving force behind this very meaningful commitment on behalf of our team,” said Victor Hall, vice president, Baptist Health Care. “Accreditation means our team has the highest level skills and knowledge, and this is the expected standard in our cardiac catheterization and electrophysiology labs. The team works alongside our physicians to provide effective, appropriate evidence-based care. We are very proud of this accomplishment and the effort each team member put into this achievement.”



The Baptist Heart & Vascular Institute, located in the Florida Panhandle, was also one of the first in the country to achieve accreditation through the IAC in electrophysiology and Cardiac Catheterization. Baptist Heart & Vascular Institute is the area's most comprehensive cardiovascular program, providing patients with quality care and a full range of advanced treatment options.

CCI spotlights registrants for accomplishments and dedication to the cardiovascular profession. Submissions may be sent to Christine Johnson at cjohnson@cci-online.org.

Baptist Heart and Vascular Institute Cath and EP Lab

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Roman Bychkov, RCIS
Miranda Dishon, RCES
Heather Starr, RCIS
Sarah Currie, RCES
Andy Burns, RN, RCES
Mike Drlicka, RN, RCES
Josh Marshall, RN, RCIS
Candace Williams, RT (R), RCIS
Dennis Langford, RT (R), RCES
Chris Lewis, RN, RCIS, RCES
Gretchen Thomas, RCES

Kevin Vital, RN, RCIS
Curtis Bucek, RCIS
Annita Summerlin, RN, RCIS
John Galdamez, RN, RCIS
Tara Cooper, RT (R), RCIS
Edsel Allen, RN, RCIS
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William Huson, RN, CEPS, RCES
Sebrena Palmer, RN, RCIS
Will Larson, RCIS
Skye Pinder, RN, RCIS
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Brian Burroughs, RT (R), RCIS
Sean Powell, RT (R), RCIS
Michael Lazarus, RCIS
Pevee Cobia, RT (R), RCIS
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