



News Release

“VERMILION LEADS RURAL ALBERTA IN ULTRASOUND TECHNOLOGY”

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Heartland Ultrasound Inc. located in the Vermilion Midtown Medical Clinic is providing leading medical technology through Tele-Echocardiogram service to rural eastern Alberta and western Saskatchewan.

An Echocardiogram is an ultrasound which is used to examine the heart. It provides a moving image of the heart and allows physicians to diagnose and monitor their patient's heart condition. In addition to providing single-dimension images it provides two-dimensional echo and gives real-time digital imagery of the beating heart, including the chambers, valves and the major blood vessels that exit from the left and right ventricle.

Darcy Poliakiwski and Remy Rajotte both Registered Diagnostic Cardiac & Medical Sonographers along with Dr. Leslie Kasza, MD are providing the service through their company Heartland Ultrasound Inc.

“We are very excited to provide this type of service to our immediate and surrounding communities” said Poliakiwski “It is a great asset to our area and should reduce wait and travel time for patient appointments that would have previously had to travel to a larger centre.”

“Patients must be referred for an Echocardiogram by their Physician. The Echocardiogram takes about one hour to perform and is a non-invasive procedure. The images of the heart are sent from the Vermilion Midtown Medical Clinic via hi-speed internet to Dr. Kasza's computer where he reviews the images and sends back a report of his findings to us. We then can print the report and fax or e-mail it directly to the patient's doctor” said Poliakiwski.

“The speed and turn around time of which a patient can be diagnosed is exceptional” added Rajotte.

An Echocardiogram can be performed on toddlers to adults.

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