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### **THE CARDIAC AND VASCULAR INSTITUTE, NUCLEAR CARDIOLOGY EARNS NUCLEAR CARDIOLOGY REACCREDITATION BY IAC**

*Gainesville, FL January 8, 2018* – The Cardiac & Vascular Institute (TCAVI) has met all criteria for Nuclear Cardiology services by the Intersocietal Accreditation Commission (IAC), a national healthcare accreditation organization. Accreditation is given only to facilities that apply rigid standards of quality in day-to-day operations, demonstrate continued accuracy in the performance of proficiency testing, and pass a rigorous on-site laboratory survey. The Cardiac & Vascular Institute has earned IAC accreditation as a result of a long-term commitment to provide quality service to its patients.

Early detection of life threatening heart disorders, stroke and other diseases is possible through the use of nuclear cardiology procedures performed within hospitals, outpatient centers and physicians' offices. Cardiovascular diseases are the leading cause of death in the United States. On average, one American dies every 39 seconds of cardiovascular disease – disorders of the heart and blood vessels.

There are many factors that contribute to an accurate diagnosis based on nuclear cardiology. The training and experience of the technologist performing the procedure, the type of equipment used and the quality assessment metrics each facility is required to measure, all contribute to a positive patient outcome. IAC accreditation is a "seal of approval" that patients can rely on as an indicator of consistent quality care and a dedication to continuous improvement.

**The Cardiac & Vascular Institute, located in Gainesville, Florida, has been granted an additional three-year term of accreditation by the Intersocietal Accreditation Commission (IAC) in Nuclear Cardiology.** This latest accreditation awarded to The Cardiac & Vascular Institute demonstrates the facility's ongoing commitment to providing quality patient care in echocardiology.

Accreditation by IAC indicates that The Cardiac & Vascular Institute, Nuclear Cardiology has undergone an intensive application and review process and is found to be in compliance with the published *Standards*. Comprised of a detailed self-evaluation followed by a thorough



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review by a panel of medical experts, the IAC accreditation process enables both the critical operational and technical components of the applicant facility to be assessed, including representative case studies and their corresponding final reports.

### **About The Cardiac & Vascular Institute**

The Cardiac & Vascular Institute (TCAVI) has offices in both Gainesville and Lake City, Florida. The physicians of TCAVI are board certified in every aspect of cardiology providing state of the art diagnostic, therapeutic and preventive cardiac services by utilizing the best in both the technology and the art of medicine.

Visit [www.TCAVI.com](http://www.TCAVI.com) or call (352) 375-1212 to learn about The Cardiac & Vascular Institute and the additional services offered by TCAVI.

### **About IAC**

The IAC provides accreditation programs for vascular testing, echocardiology, nuclear medicine/PET, MRI, CT, dental CT, carotid stenting, vein treatment and management, cardiac electrophysiology and cardiology catheterization. The IAC programs for accreditation are dedicated to ensuring and promoting quality patient care supporting one common mission: *Improving health care through accreditation®*. IAC accreditation is widely respected within the medical community, as illustrated by the support of more than 40 national medical societies. To date, the IAC accreditation divisions have granted accreditation to more than 14,000 sites throughout the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico. To learn more about IAC, visit [intersocietal.org](http://intersocietal.org).

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