

April 4, 2023

Officers

Sunil V. Rao, MD, FSCAI

President

Jason Weida
Secretary
Florida Agency for Health Care Administration
2727 Mahan Drive
Tallahassee, FL 32308

George D. Dangas, MD, MSCAI

President-Elect

RE: SCAI Expert Consensus Statement on Percutaneous Coronary Intervention Without On-Site Surgical Backup

Dear Secretary Weida,

Timothy D. Henry, MD, MSCAI

Immediate Past President

The Society for Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions (SCAI) has dedicated its work to advancing the profession and is the designated society for guidance, representation, professional recognition, education, and research opportunities for invasive and interventional cardiology professionals. For more than 40 years, SCAI has personified professional excellence and innovation globally, fostering a trusted community of more than 5000 members dedicated to medical advancement and lifesaving care for adults and children with cardiovascular disease.

James B. Hermiller, MD, MSCAI

Vice President

SCAI is aware that the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration has used SCAI's 2014 Update on Percutaneous Coronary Intervention Without On-Site Surgical Backup Expert Consensus document as a key reference for your Adult Cardiovascular Services Designation for hospital programs. We are therefore attaching a copy of our updated consensus statement published on January 31, 2023 in JSCAI for your review. We hope that you will consider the updated recommendations and adjust Florida's level 1 center requirements accordingly. Specifically, the new guidelines clearly state that atherectomy can be safely performed in centers without surgical backup.

Srihari S. Naidu, MD, FSCAI

Secretary

Arnold Seto, MD, MPA, FSCAI

Treasurer

If SCAI can be of any assistance as you consider and review these updated guidelines, please do not hesitate to contact SCAI's manager, coding and reimbursement Monica Wright at 202-327-5451 or at mlwright@scai.org if there are any questions or further requests.

Trustees

Mirvat Alasnag, MD, FSCAI

Joaquin E. Cigarroa, MD, FSCAI

Ramesh Daggubati, MD, FSCAI

Thomas E. Fagan, MD, MSCAI

Daniel M. Kolansky, MD, FSCAI

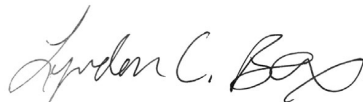
Alexandra J. Lansky, MD, FSCAI

Binita Shah, MD, FSCAI

Rajesh V. Swaminathan, MD, FSCAI

Molly Szerlip, MD, FSCAI

Sincerely,



Lyndon Box, MD, FSCAI
Chair
Government Relations Committee

Trustees for Life