# **Ultrasound- Abdomen Ileocolic**

## PURPOSE:

To evaluate the segments of the intestine for prolapses into a more caudal segment of intestine also known as an intestinal intussusception.

### AGE RANGE:

# \*5 MONTHS TO 9 MONTHS OF AGE (when indicated, can be performed in older patients)

#### RARE IN AGES LESS THAN 3 MONTHS

## SCOPE:

Applies to all ultrasound Abdomen ileocolic evaluation studies performed at Imaging Services / Radiology

#### INDICATIONS:

- Intermittent, colicky cramping, pain
- Later development of lethargy
- Vomiting (may be bile-stained)
- Currant jelly stool (blood and mucus)
- Palpable abdominal mass
- Distention and tenderness

#### **CONTRAINDICATIONS:**

No absolute contraindications

#### EQUIPMENT:

A linear array transducer with a frequency range of approximately 9-12 MHz that allows for appropriate penetration of the soft tissue.

#### PATIENT PREPARATION:

• Patient does not need to be NPO

#### **EXAMINATION:**

#### **GENERAL GUIDELINES:**

A complete examination includes evaluation of the entire abdomen and pelvis in both longitudinal and transverse planes.

# EXAM INITIATION:

- Introduce yourself to the patient (AIDET)
- Verify patient identify using patient name and DOB
- Explain Test
- Obtain patient history including symptoms. Inquire if the patient has received pain medication.
- Enter and store data page
- Place patient in supine, right lateral decubitis (RLD), and /or left lateral decubitus (LLD).

# **TECHNIQUE CONSIDERATIONS:**

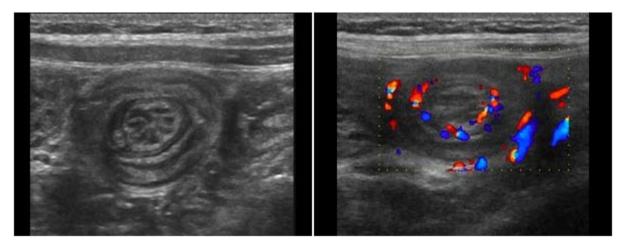
- If intussusception is noted, you are should take AP and width measurements.
- Obtain images with and without color.
- Clearly label quadrant intussusception resides in.
- Intussusception Ileocolic is positive when measurement is over 3 CM, less than 3 CM is considered small-bowel small bowel and no further work up is needed for small-bowel small-bowel.
- Obtain cine clips in long and transverse sweeping through the intussusceptions.
- Include a transverse image of the midline abdomen with and without color to show position of SMA/SMV relationship.
- Include a transverse cine sweep of the SMA with color at the level of the pancreas or area of concern, as to rule out other findings, such as malrotation/volvulus.

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- Trans RLQ (by iliacs)
- Trans RLQ (showing Cecum and TI junction)
- Long RLQ (ascending colon)
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- Trv Ruq (hepatic flexure)
- Trans RUQ (colon)
- Trans MID Epigastric <mid-upper>(colon)
- Trans LUQ (colon)
- Trans LUQ (by splenic flexure)
- Long LUQ (descending colon)
- Long LLQ (descneding colon)
- Trans LLQ (by iliacs)
- Trans MID upper (epigastric)
- Trans mid periumbilical
- Trans mid pelvis <lower> (showing bladder and rectum)
  - Signs found in intussusceptions that need surgical treatment are Longer length of the intussusception (usually more than 3 cm.)
    Bowel wall thickening Identifiable lead point

Small bowel dilatation Free peritoneal fluid Signs of peritonitis

 Signs found in intussusceptions that can be followed up are Shorter length
No bowel wall thickening
Normal vascularity
No signs of obstruction or peritonitis



# PROCESSING:

- Review examination images and data
- Export all images to PACS
- Document relevant history and impressions in primordial.
- Present images to Radiologist

### **REFERENCES**:

\*Siegel, Marilyn, (2002). Pediatric Sonography. Philadelphia, PA: Lippincott Williams and Wilkins.

#### **REVISION HISTORY:**

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