# **Content Description**

### Anatomy & physiology 20%

Cerebrovascular

Cerebrovascular normal anatomy

Evaluate the cerebrovascular vessels

Cerebrovascular hemodynamics

Evaluate the cerebrovascular vessels for normal perfusion

Venous

Venous normal anatomy

Evaluate the veins of upper extremities

Evaluate the veins of lower extremities

Evaluate the central venous system

Venous hemodynamics

Evaluate the effects of limb augmentation maneuvers on venous flow

Evaluate the effects of respiration on venous flow

Peripheral arterial

Peripheral arterial normal anatomy

Evaluate the upper extremity arteries for obstruction

Evaluate the lower extremity arteries for obstruction

Peripheral arterial hemodynamics

Assess pressure changes following exercise

Assess segmental pressure gradients

Abdominal/visceral

Abdominal/visceral normal anatomy

Evaluate the abdominal/visceral vessels

Abdominal/visceral hemodynamics

Evaluate the abdominal/visceral vasculature for perfusion

## Pathology 19%

Cerebrovascular

Cerebrovascular abnormal perfusion and physiology

Evaluate the cerebrovascular vessels for disease

Cerebrovascular postoperative (surgically corrected) anatomy

Evaluate the carotid arteries following endovascular repair

Venous

Venous abnormal perfusion and physiology

Evaluate the veins of the upper extremity for disease

Evaluate the veins of the lower extremity for disease

Evaluate the central veins for disease

Venous postoperative (surgically corrected) anatomy

Assess dialysis access (i.e., fistula or graft)

Peripheral arterial

Peripheral arterial abnormal perfusion and physiology

VT Content Outline 2

Evaluate the arteries of the upper extremity for disease

Evaluate the arteries of the lower extremity for disease

Peripheral arterial postoperative (surgically corrected) anatomy

Evaluate vessels post intervention (e.g., angioplasty, stents)

Evaluate postoperative bypass grafts

Abdominal/visceral

Abdominal/visceral abnormal perfusion and physiology

Evaluate the abdominal/visceral vessels for disease

Abdominal/visceral postoperative (surgically corrected) anatomy

Evaluate the abdominal/visceral vessels post-endovascular repair or bypass

Evaluate transplant organs

Patient care 4%

Communication

Educate the public and other health care professionals in the application of vascular tests

Interact with supervising physician as to procedures to be followed for examination

Use a computer for patient scheduling

Use a computer for report generation

Use a computer for storage of demographic data

Integration of data 10%

Cerebrovascular

Cerebrovascular incorporate outside data (Clinical assessment, H & P, Lab values, Risk factors)

Obtain pertinent clinical history and physical findings from patient and medical record

Cerebrovascular interpretation (Differential diagnosis)

Compare results with previous studies

Provide preliminary interpretation of test results verbally or in writing to referring physician

Report the limitations of the exam

Venous

Venous incorporate outside data (Clinical assessment, H & P, Lab values, Risk factors)

Obtain pertinent clinical history and physical findings from patient and medical record

Venous interpretation (Differential diagnosis)

Compare results with previous studies

Provide preliminary interpretation of test results verbally or in writing to referring physician

Report the limitations of the exam

Peripheral arterial

Peripheral arterial incorporate outside data (Clinical assessment, H & P, Lab values, Risk factors)

Obtain pertinent clinical history from patient and medical record

Peripheral arterial interpretation (Differential diagnosis)

Compare results with previous studies

Provide preliminary interpretation of test results verbally or in writing to referring physician

Report the limitations of the exam

Abdominal/visceral

Abdominal/visceral incorporate outside data (Clinical assessment, H & P, Lab values, Risk factors)

Obtain pertinent clinical history and physical findings from patient and medical record

Abdominal/visceral interpretation (Differential diagnosis)

Compare results with previous studies

VT Content Outline 3

Provide preliminary interpretation of test results verbally or in writing to referring physician

Report the limitations of the exam

Protocols 33%

Cerebrovascular

Cerebrovascular clinical standards and guidelines

Evaluate the cerebrovascular vessels

Cerebrovascular measurement techniques

Analyze Doppler waveforms

Venous

Venous clinical standards and guidelines

Evaluate the veins of the upper extremity for obstruction

Evaluate the veins of the lower extremity for obstruction

Evaluate the central veins for obstruction

Evaluate veins for vessel mapping

Venous measurement techniques

Assess venous valvular competency with cuff inflation techniques

Assess venous valvular competency with tilt table techniques

Use tourniquet techniques when evaluating for venous reflux

Analyze Doppler waveforms

Venous non-sonographic techniques

Use plethysmography for valvular competence

Peripheral arterial

Peripheral arterial clinical standards and guidelines

Evaluate the arteries of the upper extremity for obstruction

Evaluate the arteries of the lower extremity for obstruction

Evaluate arteries for vessel mapping

Peripheral arterial measurement techniques

Analyze Doppler waveforms

Calculate pressure indices

Determine systolic pressure

Peripheral arterial non-sonographic techniques

Assess the palmar arch for patency with digital pressures or waveforms

Evaluate for cold sensitivity

Perform digital photoplethysmography

Perform volume pulse recording

Abdominal/visceral

Abdominal/visceral clinical standards and guidelines

Evaluate the abdominal/visceral vessels for obstruction

Abdominal/visceral measurement techniques

Perform acceleration time calculations

Perform resistive indices calculations

Analyze Doppler waveforms

Physics & instrumentation 5%

**Artifacts** 

VT Content Outline 4

Recognize the presence of imaging artifacts

### *Imaging instruments*

Record images using digital storage

Use a linear array transducer

Use a phased array transducer

### Quality assurance/ Statistics

Perform quality assurance checks on equipment

Compute statistics on lab data to document accuracy of testing

Perform validation studies (e.g., review venograms and/or arteriograms)

#### Treatment 7%

### Cerebrovascular

### Cerebrovascular intraoperative procedures

Provide intraoperative duplex assessment

Provide intraoperative monitoring via transcranial Doppler

#### Venous

#### Venous intraoperative procedures

Provide intraoperative duplex assessment during venous ablation procedures

#### Peripheral arterial

### Peripheral arterial intraoperative procedures

Provide intraoperative duplex assessment during percutaneous angioplasty

Provide intraoperative monitoring during bypass procedures

#### Peripheral arterial sonographer role in procedures

Assist in ultrasound guided pseudoaneurysm thrombin treatment

Perform pseudoaneurysm compression

#### Abdominal/visceral

### Abdominal/visceral intraoperative procedures

Provide intraoperative monitoring during abdominal surgery

Provide intraoperative monitoring via intravenous ultrasound (IVUS)

### Other 2%

### Traumatic injury

Evaluate vessel injury following trauma

### Miscellaneous conditions/tests

### Identify cysts

Evaluate thoracic outlet syndrome