

ST. DAVID'S MEDICAL CENTER
Cardiac & Thoracic Surgery
Ventricular Assist Device (VAD)
Implantation

Initial Appointment Requirements

Pathway One

- a. Board certified or board eligible in cardiothoracic surgery
- b. Documentation of attendance of manufacturer sponsored device-specific education
- c. Documentation of ten (10) VAD cases in the last 36 months as primary surgeon with at least one (1) case completed in the last twelve 12 months
- d. Attend at least one MCS or transplant conference within the last 36 months

OR

Pathway Two

- a. Board certified or board eligible in cardiothoracic surgery
- b. Documentation of attendance of manufacturer sponsored device-specific education
- c. Documentation of ten (10) VAD cases in the last 36 months as primary surgeon or first assist
- d. Proctoring of first three (3) cases as primary surgeon by HHA-credentialed surgeon
- e. Attend at least one MCS or transplant conference within the last 36 months

Reappointment Requirements

- a. Perform three (3) VAD cases in the preceding 12 months as primary surgeon or first assist
- b. Documentation of attendance of at least one MCS transplant conference within the last 36 months.