# Fetal Echocardiogram

### What to expect during your fetal echocardiogram:

During your visit to Primary Children's Hospital Cardiology department, you will receive:

- A fetal echocardiogram, which is a noninvasive ultrasound that is used to assess the structure and function of your baby's heart.
- Consultation with one of our fetal Cardiologists. This consultation will allow the physician to explain the results to you and allow time for questions you may have for the Cardiologist.
- Coordination of resources and patient education provided by a Fetal Heart Nurse Coordinator.
- Consultations with other services as needed, such as maternal-fetal medicine, genetics and social services.
- Tours of the University of Utah Labor and Delivery floor and the Cardiac Intensive Care Unit located at Primary Children's Hospital.

During your visit if a heart problem is identified on the fetal echocardiogram, our team will work with you and your OB/GYN to plan the best care for your baby.

#### Where to check in:

Check in at the Cardiology Clinic, located on Level 2, Station 2 in the Primary Children's Outpatient building.

## How to prepare for your fetal echocardiogram:

- Please plan for your appointment to be 1-3 hours long. The fetal echocardiogram takes approximately 1- 1 ½ hours. If a heart problem is identified the consultation with the Fetal Team can take an additional 1-1 ½ hours.
- Please do not bring young children with you to your appointment.

## **Arrive early:**

Please arrive at least 15 minutes early for your Fetal Echocardiogram to allow for parking and paper work.

