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**Literature Search**

**ACR Appropriateness Criteria®**

**Infective Endocarditis**

Literature Search Performed on: 06/14/2018  
Beginning Date: January 2013  
End Date: May 2018  
Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) Epub Ahead of Print, In-Process & Other Non-Indexed Citations, Ovid MEDLINE(R) Daily and Ovid MEDLINE(R) <1946 to Present>

**Search Strategy**

1. exp endocarditis, bacterial/ (20125)  
2. exp angiography/ (228020)  
3. exp nuclear magnetic resonance/ (200261)  
4. magnetic resonance imaging/ (356216)  
5. echocardiography/ (79340)  
6. echocardiography, transesophageal/ (18694)  
7. exp radionuclide imaging/ (197991)  
8. *echocardiography/ (26564)  
9. Tomography, X-Ray Computed/ (347601)  
10. exp diagnostic imaging/ (2439501)  
11. 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 (2634962)  
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20. exp Positron-Emission Tomography/ (49878)  
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