



SIZE SAVVY HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS Review Form

Name of Healthcare Provider:		Carlos Fonte, MD	
Name of Healthcare Group:		Advanced Cardiovascular Specialists	
Type of Practice:		Specialty Care	
Specialty:	Cardiology	Website:	http://carlosfontemd.com/index.html
Address:	3201 South Maryland Pkwy. #502, Las Vegas, NV 89109		
Area of CC:	East Las Vegas	Phone Number:	(702) 733-8600
Review of Facility, Equipment and Staff:			
<p>Waiting Room: (check all that are appropriate)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sturdy, armless chairs, couches or benches are available</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Chair/couches are 6" – 8" apart from each other</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Information and wall decor in the waiting room reflects diversity, including size diversity, and weight neutral atmosphere</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The reception counter includes one that is the appropriate height for wheelchairs or scooters</p>		<p>Examination Room: (check all that are appropriate)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exam tables are wide enough to accommodate people with wide bodies</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Exam tables are bolted to the floor for more stability</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A sturdy stool is provided to assist the large patient in getting onto the exam table</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Armless chairs are available</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Literature and wall décor are body-positive and weight neutral atmosphere</p>	
<p>Equipment: (check all that are appropriate)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Large hospital gowns are available</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large blood pressure cuffs are used</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Longer needles and tourniquets are available</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lavatories are pedestal-type and not hanging from the wall</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A urine specimen device with a handle or a "hat" is available for urine collection</p>		<p>Staff: (check all that are appropriate)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Staff are friendly and helpful</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office staff reflect the diverse patient population [which includes size]</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Patients are not automatically weighed, unless there is a compelling reason to do so</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> If weighing is necessary, staff ensures it is done so in a private setting, without comment</p>	
<p>Physician/Therapist: (check all that are appropriate)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This healthcare professional treats patients as individuals and with respect</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Weight loss is not the standard recommended treatment</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> They respect the patient's health care priorities and address their chief complaint</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> They engage in health-centered, non-weight focused language (i.e., avoid the term obese)</p>			

Physician/Therapist Cont'd: (check all that are appropriate)

- The healthcare professional is familiar with Health At Every Size (HAES) principles and incorporates them into their practice
- The same diagnostic tests are performed on patients of large body size as any other patient
- If diagnostic tests are required, the large patient is referred to offices where diagnostic equipment has an appropriate weight maximum – if unsure, the provider's staff follows up to find diagnostic equipment that will handle the patient's weight
- Any counseling about exercise is done so without linking it to weight or weight reduction
- The healthcare professional is open to questions the patient may have about alternative therapies or health solutions

Comments about this Healthcare Provider:

Dr Fonte and his staff are caring and helpful. Although the doctor would prefer that I lose weight, he does not make it an issue in discussing my health care alternatives and needs.

Comments about the Facility or Equipment:

The lobby is small and all chairs in the lobby and the exam rooms are 17" with arms. Not certain if there would be alternative seating but I would not be hesitant to ask. They could use some larger paper gowns for use in echocardiograms, the regular sized ones break right in half when put on. There are some improvements that could be made to the facility to make it more size savvy.

I recommend this provider

I do not recommend this provider

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Reviewer:

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