

SONOGRAPHER CLINIC

Frequency of visits and alerts

AORTIC REGURGITATION

Severe	every 6 months (or every 3 months at request of cardiologist if LV significantly dilated) (consider exercise test annually)
Moderate	every year
Mild	not unless aortic root dilated

Echocardiographic alerts

- LVSD approaching 45 mm or LVDD 70 mm
- LVSD change >5mm from previous study
- LVEF approaching 50%
- DTI S velocity < 8 cm/s

Other alerts

- Spontaneous symptoms
- Patient request
- Suggestion of endocarditis