

Nor Cal Vascular Study Group Spring Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2019
8:00am to 1:00pm
UCSF Mission Hall, Room 2103
550 16th Street San Francisco, CA

I. Welcome and Introductions: Dr. Matthew Mell, MD

• **Attendees:**

- i. Cheryl Jackson-SVS
- ii. Matthew Mell-UC Davis
- iii. Heather Houston-UC Davis
- iv. Shipra Aya-Stanford
- v. Ed Aboian-PAMF
- vi. Joyce Nacario-UCSF (remote)
- vii. Carlos Moreno- Stanford
- viii. James Iannuzzi-UCSF
- ix. Ritu Karki Sitaula-UC Davis
- x. Allison Donnalley-UC Davis (remote)
- xi. Derrick Holmes-Janssen
- xii. James Palmieri-Janssen
- xiii. Peter Schneider-UCSF
- xiv. Michelle Lewis UC Davis (remote)

II. National VQI Update: Cheryl Jackson, SVS PSO

- 545 Centers, Canada and Singapore participants outside the US
- 566, 457 procedure, PVI highest with 179,809
- Major update to website: www.vqi.org
 - If need registration to members only site, contact Nancy Heatley nheatley@svspsso.org
 - Our website, minutes and slides to be posted
- Out of range audits for each registry currently being done, also contracting with Q-Centrix for third party audits soon
 - Audits included all out of range entries for all cases entered into the data base
- 2019 webinar and report schedule reviewed (see slides)
- Currently 55 QI charters: contact Cheryl Jackson, Director of Quality SVS PSO to start QI Project this year!!! Education and material available to help with your success. CJACKSON@SVSPSO.ORG
 - Get QI points for completing charters
 - Turn in charter when doing any type of QI
 - Charters help identify like groups working in the same issue –help one another
- SVS PSO work group to address national opioid epidemic with a focus on vascular patients. To develop recommendations based on work from National Academy of Medicine, Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) and evidence-based practice
- Lost to EVAR LTFU imaging risk score

- Suggestion: to add this calculator to VQI site to help identify high risk patients-Cheryl to f/u
- Participation award release and two centers in RMVQI were awarded 3 star certificates of achievement
 - University of Virginia Health System
 - Sentara Princess Anne Hospital
 - Sentara Careplex Hospital
 - Sentara Williamsburg Regional Medical Center
 - Winchester Medical Center
 - Charleston Area Medical Center
 - West Virginia University Hospital
- VQI@VAM: Tuesday 6/11 to Wednesday 6/12

III. AQC Update: Ed Aboian, MD

- Some of the automatic reports that we receive or not re-creatable in the analytics engine. Carrie says that we may be switching to a different analytics engine provider.
- Harmonizing similar help text
 - Similar help text a crossed all VQI modules
 - Similar help texts to other national registries (NCDR, STS)
 - Do not enter device as other, send screen shot of missing device to Carrie, so it can be added to the list
- Updating all help text by the end of 2019 (using audit results to inform changes)
- IDE device clean up (Please do not enter an IDE as “other”)
 - Do not enter device as other, send screen shot of missing device to Carrie, so it can be added to the list
- Other device clean up (Need more details, manufacturer, device name, product #)
- General Registry Updates (Infra, Supra and OAAA on deck for 2019)

IV. RAC Update: Shipra Arya, MD

- No Restriction of data release based on similar projects; collaboration is encouraged
- Only 1 refresh of data within 24 months of initial approval
- Industry related projects need to collaborate with the steering committee/s (i.e. TCAR)
 - Review policy and industry charters on the web
- Device Identification Policy: review on the web before submitting proposal

V. VQC Update: Cheryl Jackson

- Varicose Vein Registry:
 - revisions to decrease data entry only for “treated leg”
 - Early follow up requirement changing to < 30 days to capture early complications
- IVC Filter: feedback on temporary filter removal reminders
- Venous Stent Registry: to be released soon!

VI. Governing Council Update: Matthew Mell, MD

- Vice Chairs elected:
 - Randy DeMartino (AQC)
 - Mark Passman (VQC)

- SSN Workgroup: Whitepaper being published to help administration understand our need for full SSN (Medicare claims matching and SSDI matching)
 - Continued Guideline work with SVS, which has led to new reports
 - Additional Centers added to the Cerner Abstraction Pilot
 - Discussion on how to increase participation at Regional Meetings
- VII. Site presentations: (see slides)**
- VIII. Regional Data review: Matthew Mell, MD (see slides)**
- IX. Regional Quality Improvement Project: Heather Houston, RN, MSN (see slides)**
- **Discharge medications**
 - i. Review of Regional data
 - ii. Presentation of VQI projects
 - iii. Open discussion
 1. Issues affecting D/C medications: contraindications not documented, trauma cases missing documentation regarding not indicated, low use in arterial case, need more education
 - 2.
 - iv. Plan for our Region
 1. Possible solutions: add medications contraindications to d/c templates, add not indicated as well, MD & NP education
 2. More information on d/c meds charters on members only site
 - v. Review Charter Process
 1. Review resources from VQI previous charter on d/c mediations
<https://www.vqi.org/resources/discharge-medication-communications/>
<https://www.vqi.org/resources/quality-improvement/>
 - **Each group in region will complete charter on d/c medication plan to Cheryl by May 30th**
 - Form: <https://www.vqi.org/resources/quality-improvement/>

Discussion:

- X. Next meeting:**
- Fall 2019
 - i. Saturday in October: 5th, 12th, or 19th
 - ii. Next meeting to be a full day , on Saturday when most are available
 - iii. Rotating hosting: Dr. Arya offered to host next meeting at Stanford
 - iv. Goal to engage other physicians increase participation
 1. Cheryl to send script to use to call/email other MD's
 - v. Have residents present VQI articles
 - vi. Other topics: wound care