

Northern California Vascular Study Group - NCVSG

Saturday, May 6, 2023

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Pacific Time

Remote

Meeting Attendance Credit

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Agenda-NCVSG-May 6, 2023

Time	Topic	CE Credit
9:00 am	<p>Welcome Regional Data Review –Shipra Arya, MD, NCVSG Medical Director Learning Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the VQI regional reports to establish quality improvement goals for the vascular patients (outcomes) and for their center (process). • Interpret and compare each centers' VQI results to regional and national benchmarked data. • Learn, through group discussion the VQI regional results to improve the quality of vascular health care by monitoring measurable performance indicators, SVS PSO evidence-based research, and outcomes. • Identify high performing regional vascular centers to discuss variations in care and clinical practice patterns to improve outcomes and prompt quality improvement recommendations for vascular care patients. Sharing of best practices/pathways of care. 	Yes
10:00 am	<p>Regional QI Proposal – Shipra Arya, MD, NCVSG Medical Director Learning Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the VQI regional reports to establish quality improvement goals for the vascular patients (outcomes) and for their center (process). • Interpret and compare each centers' VQI results to regional and national benchmarked data. • Learn, through group discussion the VQI regional results to improve the quality of vascular health care by monitoring measurable performance indicators, SVS PSO evidence-based research, and outcomes. • Identify high performing regional vascular centers to discuss variations in care and clinical practice patterns to improve outcomes and prompt quality improvement recommendations for vascular care patients. Sharing of best practices/pathways of care. 	Yes
10:50 am	Break	No

Agenda (con't)

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11:00 am	<p>National VQI Update –Melissa Latus, BSN, RN, PSO Clinical Project Manager</p> <p>Learning Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the VQI regional reports to establish quality improvement goals for the vascular patients (outcomes) and for their center (process). • Identify high performing regional vascular centers to discuss variations in care and clinical practice patterns to improve outcomes and prompt quality improvement recommendations for vascular care patients. Sharing of best practices/pathways of care. 	Yes
11:40 am	AQC Update – Misty Humphries, MD	No
11:45 am	VQC Update – Eri Fukaya, MD	No
11:50 am	RAC Update – James Iannuzzi, MD	No
11:55 am	Governing Council Update –Melissa Latus, MD	No
12:00 pm	Open Discussion/Next Meeting/Meeting Evaluation	No

No presenter has a conflict to report.

Welcome and Introductions

Adventist Health St. Helena

Alta Bates Summit Medical Center

California Pacific Medical Center

Community Regional Medical Center

El Camino Health

Fresno Heart & Surgical Hospital

Good Samaritan Hospital - San Jose

Marin General Hospital

Memorial Medical Center - Modesto

NorthBay Medical Center

Palo Alto Medical Foundation

Redwood City - Sequoia Hospital

San Bernardino - St. Bernardine Medical Center

San Luis Obispo - French Hospital Medical Center

Santa Clara Valley Medical Center

Santa Cruz - Dominican Hospital

Santa Rosa Memorial

St. Joseph Hospital (Eureka)

Stanford Health Care

Stanford Health Care-ValleyCare

Stockton - St. Joseph's Medical Center

Sutter Medical Center Sacramento

Sutter Roseville Medical Center

UC Davis Health System

UCSF Medical Center

Washington Hospital Health System

Total Centers = 26

Region Volume Appendix

Report	Included Cases	Centers with Included Cases	Centers with at least 10 Included Cases	Complete Cases	Centers with Complete Cases	Centers with at least 10 Complete Cases
Procedure Volume	1793	19	16			
Procedure Volume, All Years	14422	20	16			
Long-Term Follow-up	1295	12	8			
Discharge Medications	1599	19	16			
Preop Smoking	1257	19	12			
Smoking Cessation	173	8	6			
TFEM CAS ASYMP: Stroke/Death	59	10	2	57	10	2
TFEM CAS SYMP: Stroke/Death	32	9	1	27	9	0
TCAR ASYMP: Stroke/Death	73	11	3	66	10	3
TCAR SYMP: Stroke/Death	58	9	2	52	9	1
CEA ASYMP: Stroke/Death	156	14	9	134	13	7
CEA ASYMP: Postop LOS>1 Day	156	14	9	134	13	7
CEA SYMP: Stroke/Death	59	11	1	52	9	1
CEA SYMP: Postop LOS>1 Day	59	11	1	52	9	1
EVAR: Postop LOS>2 Days	99	7	5	85	7	5
EVAR: Sac Diameter Reporting	64	6	3			
EVAR: SVS AAA Diameter Guideline	93	7	5			
TEVAR: Sac Diameter Reporting	52	3	2			
OAAA: In-Hospital Mortality	85	5	2	81	5	2
OAAA: SVS Cell-Saver Guideline	87	5	3			
OAAA: SVS Iliac Inflow Guideline	100	5	4			
PVI CLAUD: ABI/Toe Pressure	270	8	6			
INFRA CLTI: Major Complications	96	6	4			
SUPRA CLTI: Major Complications	21	5	0			
LEAMP: Postop Complications	0	0	0			
HDA: Primary AVF vs. Graft	48	2	1			
HDA: Ultrasound Vein Mapping	65	2	1			
HDA: Postop Complications	65	2	1			
IVCF: Filter Retrieval Reporting	1	1	0			

The VQI Regional Quality Report is produced semiannually to provide centers and regions targeted, comparative results and benchmarks for a variety of procedures, process measures and postoperative outcomes.

The following updates have been implemented to enhance and improve the Spring 2023 VQI Regional Quality Report:

- **Preop Smoking Report Added** - A preop smoking report is now provided. This report displays center-level, regional, and VQI overall rates of current smoking at time of procedure.
- **Smoking Cessation Report Added** - A smoking cessation report is now provided. This report displays center-level, regional, and VQI overall rates of smoking cessation at follow up.

NCVSG Spring 2023 Regional Report

Carlos Moreno, Stanford Healthcare
Regional Lead Data Manager

Current Quality Improvement Charters

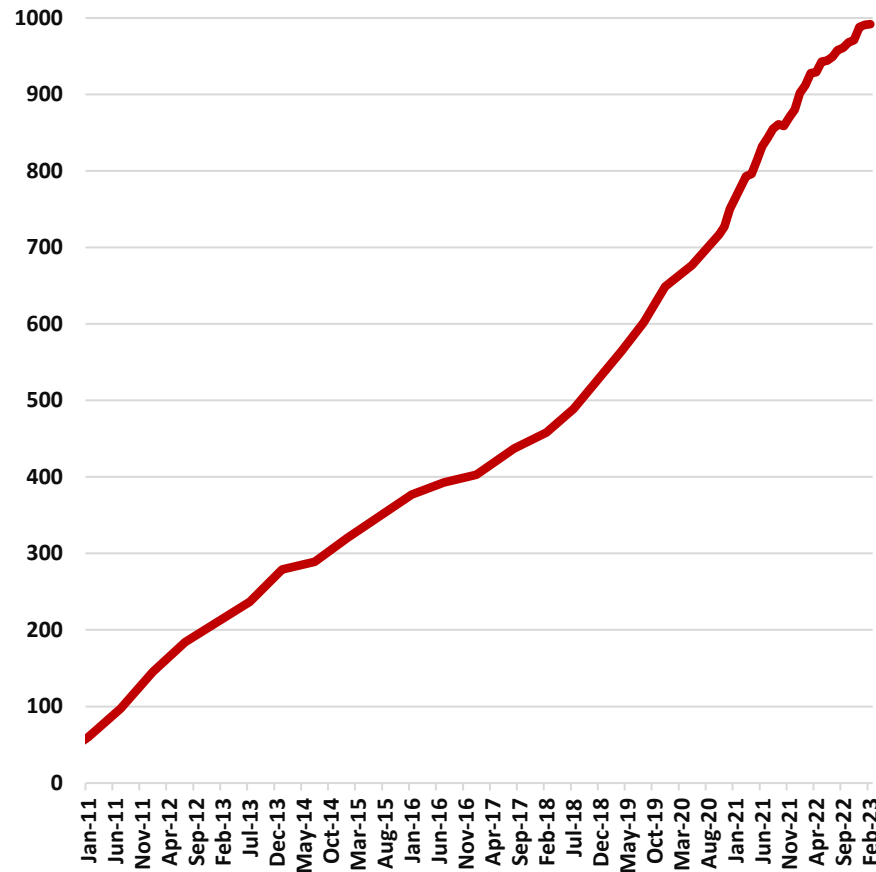
- Discussion on possible QI projects

National VQI Update

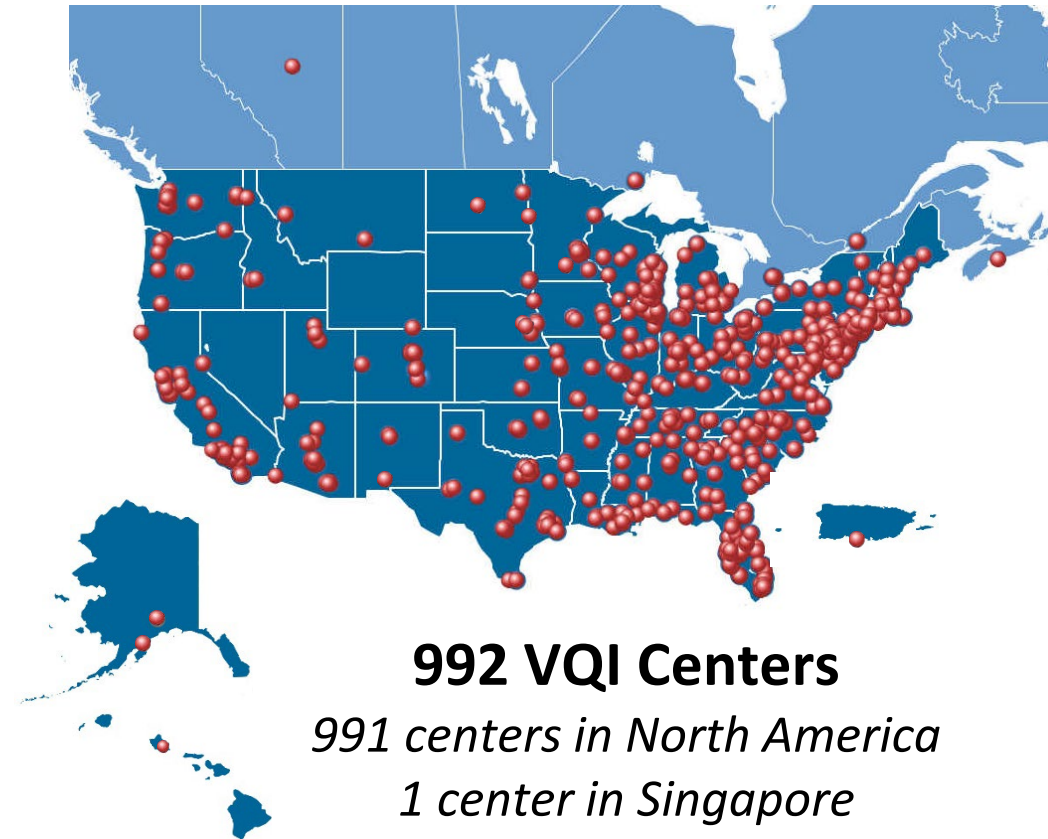
Melissa Latus, BSN, RN

PSO Clinical Operations Project Manager

Number of Participating Centers

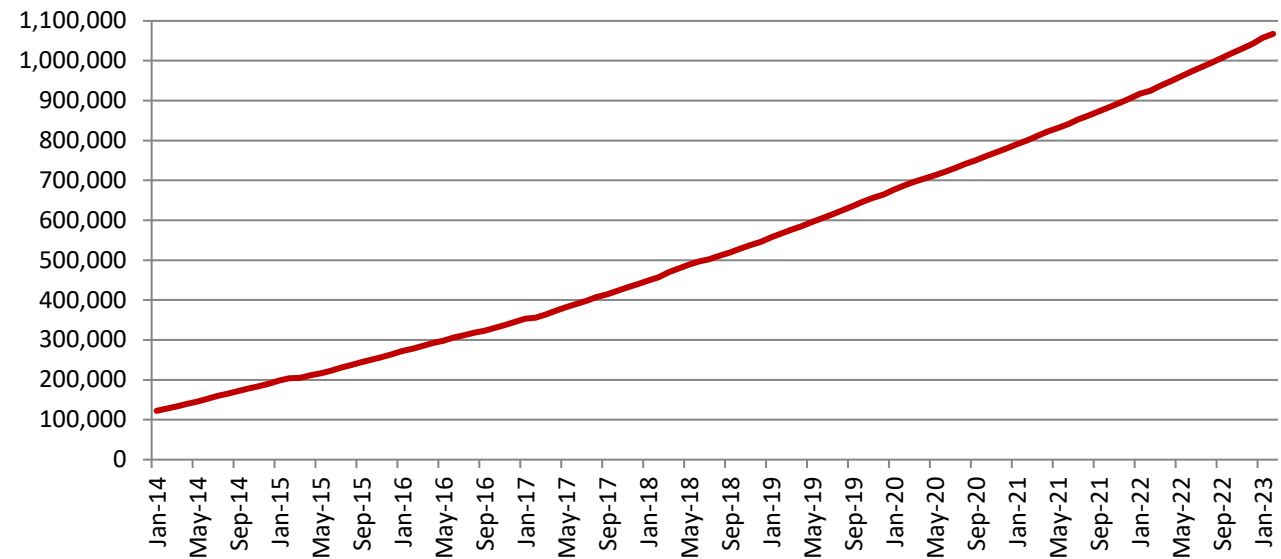


Location of VQI Participating Centers



Total Procedures Captured (as of 3/1/2023)		1,066,834
Peripheral Vascular Intervention		367,998
Carotid Endarterectomy		190,201
Infra-Inguinal Bypass		80,201
Endovascular AAA Repair		79,316
Hemodialysis Access		75,770
Carotid Artery Stent		94,032
Varicose Vein		60,449
Supra-Inguinal Bypass		25,655
Thoracic and Complex EVAR		28,286
Lower Extremity Amputations		27,921
IVC Filter		18,184
Open AAA Repair		17,546
Vascular Medicine Consult		1,119
Venous Stent		156

VQI Total Procedure Volume



Total Procedure Volume reflects net procedures added to the registry for the month

Save the Date!

2023 VQI Annual Meeting
June 13-14, 2023

Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center
National Harbor, MD (outside **Washington, DC**)

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National Harbor, MD • June 14-17



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SVS Member Username/Password Help - Contact SVS Membership Department at 800-258-7188 or 312-334-2300. Non-Member and VQI Registrants are required to create an account.

Registration categories are auto assigned based on current membership status. Pay lapsed dues online at www.vascular.org to obtain member registration rates.

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Improving the quality, safety, effectiveness and cost of vascular healthcare by collecting and exchanging information.

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ABOUT THE VQI →

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REGIONAL GROUPS →

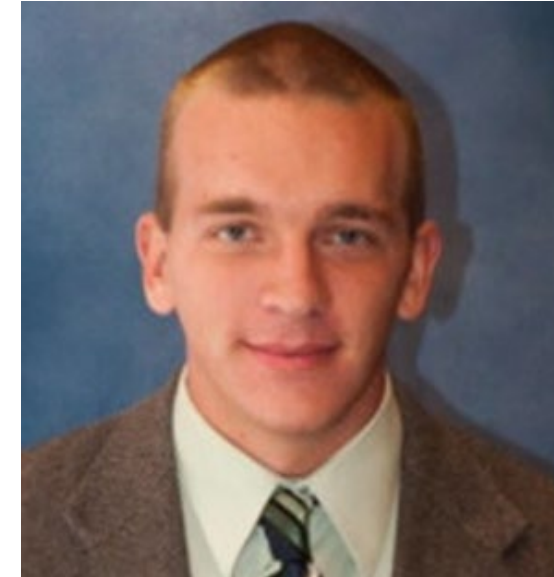
QUALITY IMPROVEMENT →

<https://staging.vqi.bytesco.site/about/>

- The addition of 14 registry specific pages
- More robust search capabilities, so customers can easily get the information they need
- Clean presentation of content
- Consistent menu options for each of the 18 Regional Group Pages.
- Streamlined Members Only area

Jeff Yoder – Statistician

- Start Date December 2022
- M.S. degree in Statistical Science from Indiana University
- Teaching assistant at Indiana University.



Top Responsibilities:

Working with the PSO Analytics team on a variety of projects and initiatives.

- Infra/Supra Inguinal Bypass Revisions Live late March 30, 2023
- New National Quality Initiative Smoking Cessation to be announced at VQI@VAM
- Data Integrity Audit Program
- Risk Calculator
- Follow-up reports:
 - IVC Filter and Varicose Vein
- Coming soon:
 - Harmonization of CAD variables
 - Harmonization of Anticoagulation
 - Open AAA Registry Revision



- SVS PSO recognizes need to reduce number of registry variables while maintaining balance between QI & research/publishing
- Work underway to decrease data entry burden
- Registry committees have begun reviewing variables
 - Possible variable retirement
 - Marking variables as mandatory versus **NOT** mandatory for record completion
- Variables required for reporting measures, industry projects & guideline/AUC recommendations will be taken into consideration
- Progress being made with data integration between EMRs & VQI. Updates provided at the VQI Annual Meeting



- Data Integrity Audits have begun Spring 2023.
- The Carotid Artery Stent Registry - first to go live.
- Additional registries will be added on a regular basis.
- Data results will not be punitive; will be utilized to update training and help texts.
- Audits are being performed by a third-party vendor – Telligen.
- Audited records will be blindly abstracted by Telligen; then compared to the completed case in Pathways for matches.
- More information to come soon.
- All inquiries should be sent to Melissa Latus. mlatus@svspso.org



- In partnership with the American College of Surgeons
- Inpatient launch late March, Outpatient launch June
- Standards derived by SVS members; program is used to measure compliance w/standards
- Six National Quality Strategies to align organizational functions to drive improvement based on the aims & priorities of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ):
 - Measurement & feedback w/ required registry participation
 - Certification, accreditation, & regulation w/required facility regulation
 - Consumer incentives & benefit designs with thorough discussion of treatment options and consent
 - Health information technology, working with outside software for continuation of care
 - Innovation & diffusion with research
 - Work force development w/ the capability of resident training

Program Standards Manual for Inpatient Program

- Institutional commitment
- Program scope and governance
- Resources for facilities, equipment, services, and personnel
- Clinical care
- Data abstraction and analysis
- Quality improvement
- Education and research
- <https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/accreditation-and-verification/vascular-verification/standards/>

For more information contact:

- vascular@facs.org



- TASC/GLASS
 - Dr. Elizabeth Genovese, M.D.
- Varicose Vein
 - Dr. Jennifer Ellis, M.D.

Visit VQI.org for a full listing of all Educational video offerings

<https://www.vqi.org/registry-education-members-only/>

REGISTRY EDUCATION WEBINARS

- VQI Educational Session – Vascular Medicine Consult (VMC)
- VQI Educational Session – Infra/Supra
- VQI Educational Session – PVI
- VQI Educational Session – EVAR
- VQI Educational Session – TEVAR/COMPLEX EVAR
- VQI Educational Session – CAS and CEA
- VQI Educational Session – Open AAA
- SVS VQI Infra/Supra Registry Revisions Webinar
- SVS VQI Educational Webinar – TASC/GLASS
- SVS VQI Education Webinar – TASC/GLASS Slides

**SPECIAL
OFFER**

Venous Stent Registry and Vascular Medicine Consult Registry Free Trial

For a limited time, SVS VQI is offering a **complimentary one-year trial subscription** to the VSR and VMC for an easily accessible first-hand experience of its value and ROI.

<https://mailchi.mp/5119b784e8d0/no-time-like-the-present>

To learn more about the Venous Stent Registry offer click here: [Venous Stent](#)

To learn more about the Vascular Medicine Consult Registry offer click here: [Vascular Medicine](#)

Or email vqi@fivoshealth.com to contact an account executive.

- **A Vascular Quality Initiative frailty assessment predicts post discharge mortality in patients undergoing arterial reconstruction** Kraiss LW, Al-Dulaimi R, Allen CM, Mell MW, Arya S, Presson AP, Brooke BS.
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35709866/>
- **Ankle-brachial index use in peripheral vascular interventions for claudication** Hawkins KE, Valentine RJ, Duke JM, Wang Q, Reed AB. <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35276260/>
- **Assessing the quality of reporting of studies using Vascular Quality Initiative (VQI) data** Mirzaie AA, Delgado AM, DuPuis DT, Olowofela B, Berceli SA, Scali ST, Huber TS, Upchurch GR Jr, Shah SK.
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35760240/>
- **Incidence of Procedure-Related Complications in Patients Treated With Atherectomy in the Femoropopliteal and Tibial Vessels in the Vascular Quality Initiative** Sanon O, Carnevale M, Indes J, Gao Q, Lipsitz E, Koleilat I.
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35466788/>
- **Survival, reintervention and surveillance reports: long-term, center-level evaluation and feedback of vascular interventions** Fowler XP, Gladders B, Moore K, Mao J, Sedrakyan A, Goodney P.
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/36248241/>

- **Perioperative outcomes of carotid endarterectomy and transfemoral and transcervical carotid artery stenting in radiation-induced carotid lesions** Batarseh P, Parides M, Carnevale M, Indes J, Lipsitz E, Koleilat I.
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/34560219/>
- **Long-term implications of elective evar that is non-compliant with clinical practice guideline diameter thresholds** de Guerre LEVM, Dansey KD, Patel PB, Marcaccio CL, Stone DH, Scali ST, Schermerhorn ML.
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/34508797/>
- **Effect of postoperative antithrombotic therapy on lower extremity outcomes after Infrapopliteal bypass for chronic limb-threatening ischemia** Marcaccio CL, Patel PB, Wang S, Rastogi V, Moreira CC, Siracuse JJ, Schermerhorn ML, Stangenberg L. <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35074410/>
- **The association between device instructions for use adherence and outcomes after elective endovascular aortic abdominal aneurysm repair** De Guerre LEVM, O'Donnell TFX, Varkevisser RRB, Swerdlow NJ, Li C, Dansey K, van Herwaarden JA, Schermerhorn ML, Patel VI. <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35276256/>
- **Association of preoperative vein mapping with hemodialysis access characteristics and outcomes in the Vascular Quality Initiative** Fedorova E, Zhang GQ, Shireman PK, Woo K, Hicks CW.
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/34718099/>

Regional Meeting CME/CE Credit



Des Moines University is the continuing education provider for this activity.



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Each participant **MUST COMPLETE BOTH** the attendance attestation and the meeting evaluation from the URL site – one form.



You will have 7 days from the date of the meeting to complete the forms and **SUBMIT**.



Approximately 14 days from the meeting, Des Moines University will email you instructions on how to access your certificate.



PSO leadership is providing continuing education credit to you at no charge!

If you do not complete and submit the online forms within 7 days, continuing education credit cannot be awarded.

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- **P**UT your FULL NAME in Zoom for remote attendees. Record of meeting attendance is required for CME/CE credit (no exceptions will be made)
- **S**END an email to ljohnson@svspso.org with names of group members that are sharing 1 device
- **O**FFICIALLY apply for CME/CE credit by clicking the URL or QR code provided here:
https://dmu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9ynSFG8xCMP54FM

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Participation Award Results



Stanford Health Care
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Quality Improvement Update Spring 2023



Quality Improvement – Participation Awards

The following is a list of the four domains for the 2023 Participation Awards criteria:

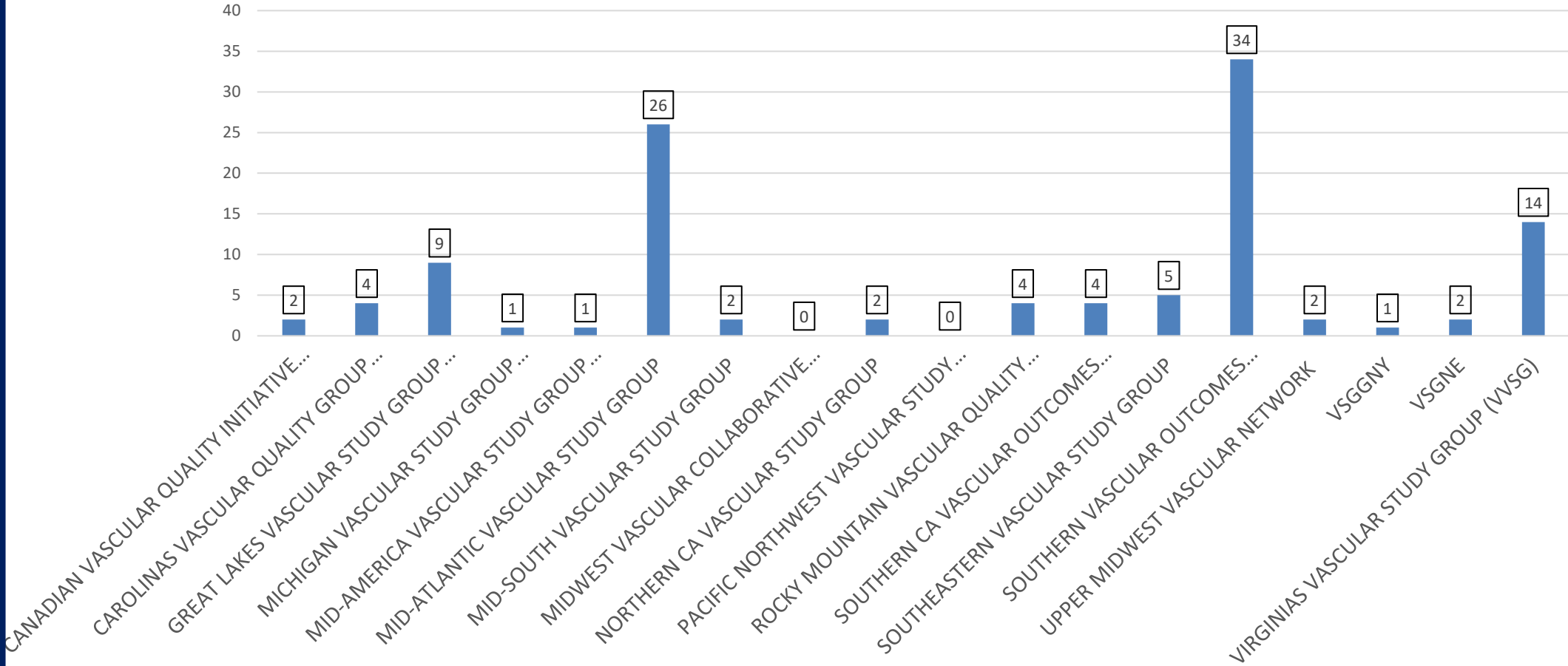
- **Domain 1 – LTFU – 40% weighted**
- **Domain 2 – Regional Meeting Attendance – 30% weighted**
- **Domain 3 – QI Project – 25% weighted** 
- **Domain 4 – Registry Subscriptions – 5% weighted** 

<https://www.vqi.org/quality-improvement/participation-awards/>



Quality Improvement - Charters

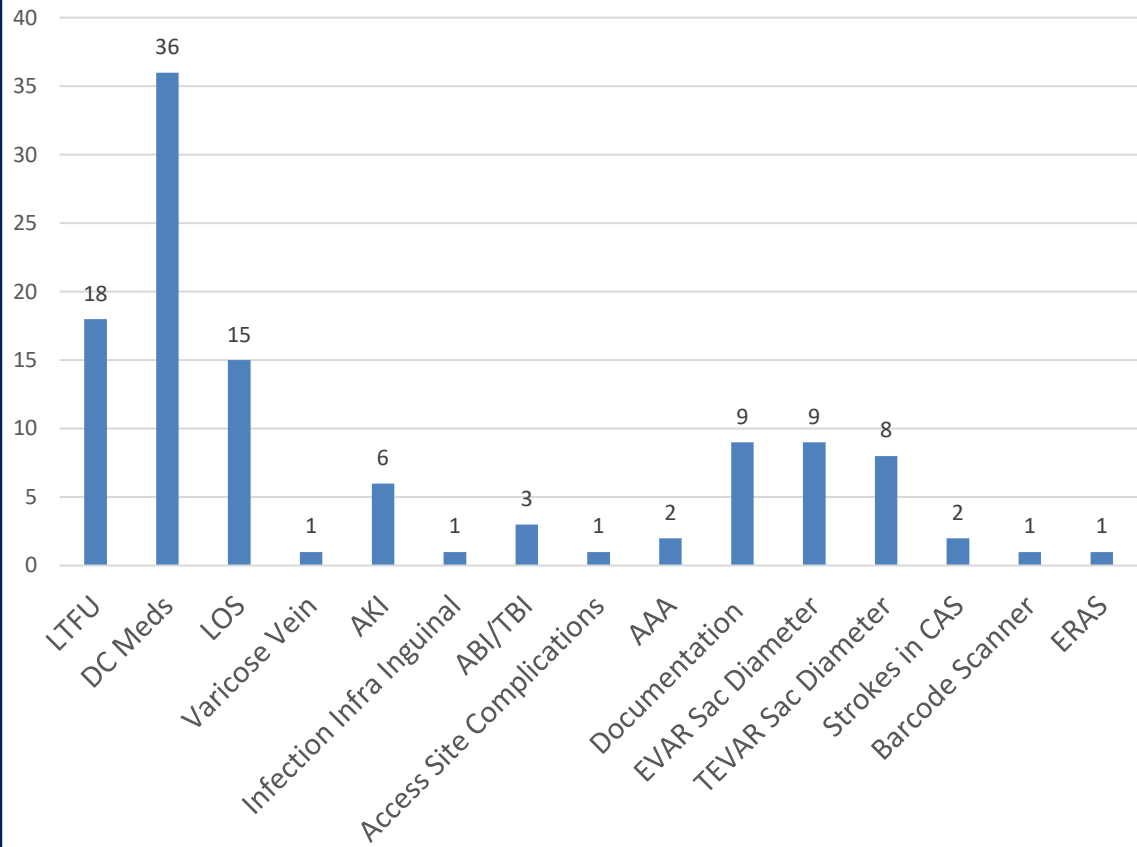
Regions with Charters n=113



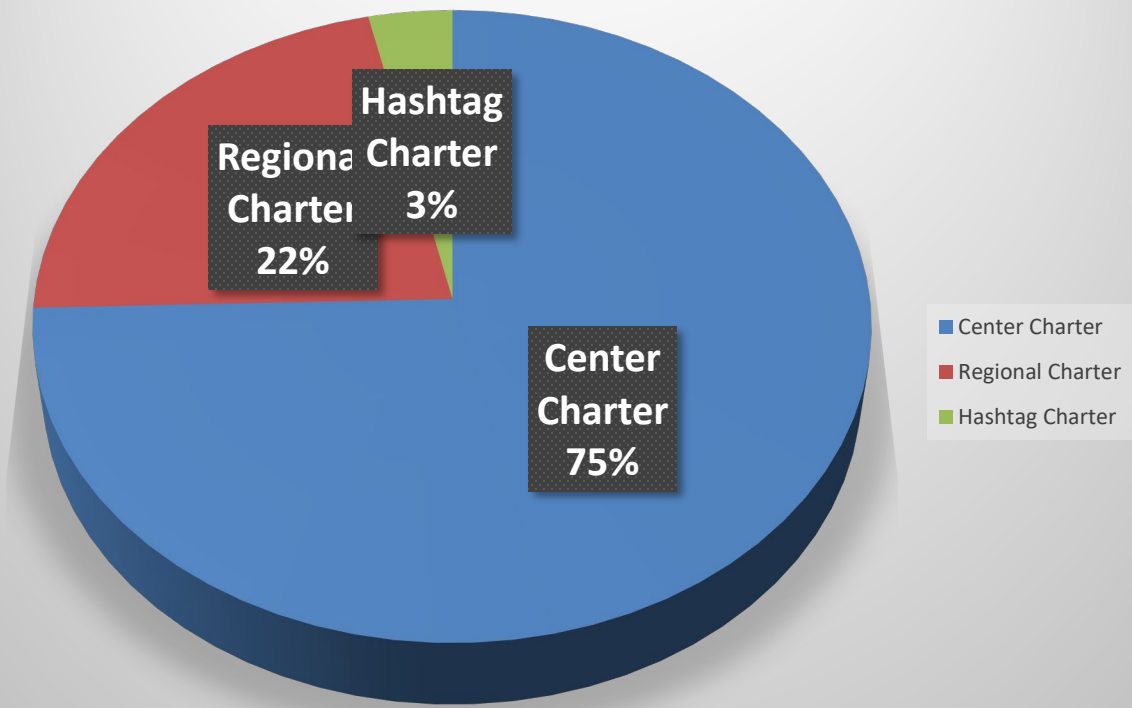


Quality Improvement – Charter Breakdown

Charter Topics



Charter Types



- Quarterly Webinars (Charter and QI)
 - www.vqi.org/quality-improvement-members-only/#upcoming-events
- Sample Charters
 - www.vqi.org/quality-improvement/quality-improvement-tools/#qi-charters
- Toolkits (VQI@VAM, Data Manager, LTFU)
 - www.vqi.org/quality-improvement/quality-improvement-tools/#qi-toolkits
- New improved VQI website
 - www.vqi.org
- 1:1 Calls
 - bwymmer@svspso.org



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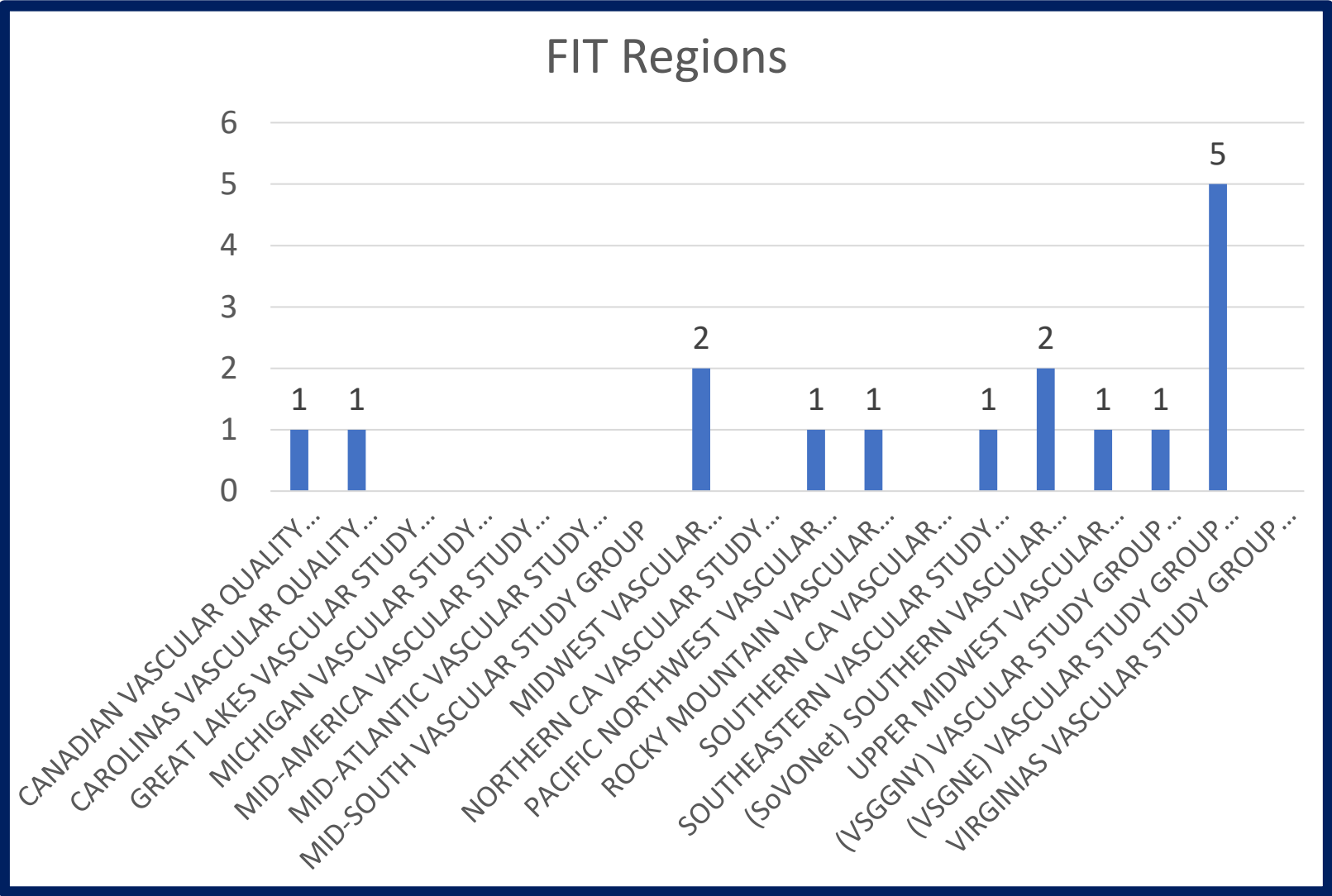
SVS PSO Quality FIT Program

- Existing FIT Trainees Jack Cronenwett Scholarship Application
 - Applications accepted January 9 – February 28
 - FIT Committee Review March – April
 - Scholarship winners announced at VQI@VAM 2023
- FIT Trainee 2023 Applications
 - Applications accepted January 9 - February 28
 - FIT Committee Review April – May
 - FIT Trainees with FIT Mentors announced at VQI@VAM 2023
- FIT Mentors
 - Accepted at any time
 - Contact bwymmer@svspso.org
- www.vqi.org/quality-improvement/quality-fellowship-in-training-fit-program/





SVS PSO Quality FIT Program



Arterial Quality Council:

Misty Humphries, MD



Arterial Quality Council Update

- Open AAA Major Revision
 - Will be renamed to accurately capture intent of the registry
 - Iliac to Left Subclavian
- Registry Committee updates
- Review Smoking Cessation and inclusion of vaping variables.
Grp decided not at this time
- Introduction of the Data Integrity Program

Venous Quality Council:

Eri Fukaya, MD



Venous Quality Council Update

- Last Meeting February 22, 2023
- Re-engagement of the venous registry committees
 - Focus on new center recruitment
 - Review of current reporting
 - Brainstorming & discussion for addition of new reporting measures for bi-annual reports, Quarterly Dashboards and follow-up reports



IVC Filter Follow Up Report

IVC Follow-up Outcomes Report

1m ago

Procedure Date

Planned Filter Duration

2019/01/01 – 2021/12/31

is any value

2019/01/01 – 2021/12/31

- ☐ Temporary
- ☐ Permanent

Prepared for Demo Medical Center on 02/01/2023

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Follow-Up Rate

	My Center	My Region	All VQI
Cases with any follow-up	83.3% (5/6)	NA (<3 centers)	NA (<3 centers)
Cases with follow-up >= 9 & <= 21 ...	50% (2/4)	NA (<3 centers)	NA (<3 centers)
Cases with follow-up >= 9 & <= 21 ...	50% (2/4)	NA (<3 centers)	NA (<3 centers)

Fictitious Data

Varicose Vein Follow-up Report

Varicose Vein Follow-Up Outcomes Report

22m ago

Procedure Date

2020/01/01 – 2022/12/31

2020/01/01 – 2022/12/31

Leg Treated

is any value

☐ Right only

☐ Left only

☐ Bilateral

Treatment Type

is any value

☐ Thermal_RF

☐ Thermal_Laser

☐ Mechanochemical

☐ Chemical

☐ Embolic adhesive

☐ High ligation and stripping

☐ Stripping

☐ Stab phlebectomy

☐ Trivex phlebectomy

☐ Open ligation

☐ Endoscopic ligation

Vein Type

is any value

☐ Truncal

☐ Perforator

☐ Cluster

Treatment Region

any value

Thigh

Calf/Ankle

Both

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Follow-Up Rate

	My Center	My Region	All VQI
Cases with early follow-up 0-3 months	33.33% (2/6)	NA	NA (<3 centers)
Cases with late follow-up >3 months	33.33% (2/6)	NA	NA (<3 centers)
Venous ulcers patients with late follow-up >= 3 months	0.00% (0/6)	NA	NA (<3 centers)

Fictitious Data

- Melissa Latus is your PSO primary point of contact on the status or refresh request. mlatus@svspso.org
- An **ACTIVE** pathways account & privileges to '*Share a File*' is required in order to receive your requested Blinded Data Set (BDS)
- Always include your RAC proposal number in any communications please.

Arterial Research Advisory Council:

James Iannuzzi, MD



Arterial RAC Schedule

<https://www.vqi.org/svs-vqi-national-arterial-rac-schedule/>

- PSO Arterial RAC - April 2023 Proposal Submission
- Call for Proposals: February 28, 2023
- Submission Deadline: March 28, 2023
- Meeting: April 10, 2023
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- PSO Arterial RAC - June 2023 Proposal Submission
- Call for Proposals: May 2, 2023
- Submission Deadline: May 30, 2023
- Meeting: June 12, 2023
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- PSO Arterial RAC – August 2023 Proposal Submission
- Call for Proposals: July 4 ,2023
- Submission Deadline: August 1, 2023
- Meeting: August 14, 2023

194 Publications in 2022

- **Data Security:** All investigators/team members are responsible for security of datasets, which are only to be used for the project for which they were approved.
- **Dataset Access:** Investigators have free access to the datasets to which their center has subscribed, providing that their center has at least 50% Long Term Follow-Up for the registry data being requested. Please confirm that your center subscribes to the dataset(s) you wish to analyze before submitting your proposal.
- **Comparison of Specialties:** The SVS VQI is a multi-specialty registry, therefore the SVS PSO Executive Committee does not allow comparisons between specialties in submission topics.

Venous Research Advisory Council:

Vacant

Created a separate Venous RAC in July 2020

[The Vascular Quality Initiative - National Venous RAC Schedule \(vqi.org\)](https://vqi.org)

2020: 3 proposals

- The impact of vein size on closure rate in treatment of the saphenous vein for venous insufficiency: **Jaime Benarroch-Gampel, MD**
- Comparison of complication rates of IVC filters based on anticoagulant and indication: **Emily Spangler, MD**
- Effect of Access Site Choice on Angulation of IVC filter and Impact on retrieval rates: **Khalil Qato, MD**

2021: 3 proposals

- Incidence of venous thromboembolic events (VTE) after endovenous ablation in patients with venous stasis ulcers (C6 disease): **Jaime Benarroch-Gampel, MD**
- Impact of Treatment Length and Treatment Region on Clinical Outcomes after Varicose Vein Procedures: **Halbert Bai, MD**
- Safety and efficacy of Endovenous ablation in patients with a history of DVT: **Mikel Sadek, MD**

2022: Proposals

- Impact of IAC Vein Treatment Center Accreditation on practice habits, utilization index, and patient outcomes: ProMedica Toledo Hospital
- Patient, Provider, and Geographical Factors Influencing Appropriate Use of Endovenous Ablation Therapy
- Outcomes following endovenous ablation therapy for obese patients with CEAP C2 and C3 venous disease

National Venous RAC Schedule

Submissions are made separately to the National Arterial RAC and the National Venous RAC – see the schedule below and the link to Abstracts123: <http://abstracts123.com/svs1/>

(If you do not have a login for Abstracts123, you can create one through the same link)

Bi-Monthly Schedule for National Venous RAC Proposal Submissions

May 2023

Call for Proposals: March 28, 2023

Submission Deadline: April 25, 2023

Meeting: May 8, 2023

July 2023

<https://www.vqi.org/national-venous-rac-schedule/>

Call for Proposals: May 30, 2023

Submission Deadline: June 27, 2023

Meeting: July 10, 2023

Governing Council:

Shipra Arya, MD

Meeting November 18, 2022

- Quality Improvement Update
 - Smoking Cessation as a National Quality Initiative
 - 2022 ended with a record # of charters 113
- RAC Submission
 - 5 proposals per cycle from each institution
 - Once a center reaches 15 Arterial RAC proposals, faculty member will be expected to serve on RAC as an at large member
- Frailty variable development
- OBL Registry Refinement; enhanced value, reporting/reimbursement, ease data burden
- Discussion - Data burden within registry
 - Committee member engagement/expectations
 - Each Committee will have an associate chair
 - Enhance reporting measures
 - Review current variables; consider required fields; elimination of data variables

For Spring 2023:

- Medical Director
 - Matthew Mell, MD, term ended
 - Shipra Arya, MD, term started spring 2023
- Open Nominations
 - NCVSG Associate Medical Director (AMD)

NCVSG 2023 Fall Regional Meeting

- Date
- Location

- Industry Supporters
 - Cook Medical
 - W.L. Gore
- CME/CE Accrediting Entity – Des Moines University
- Regional Membership Team



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