Southeastern Vascular Study Group (SEVSG)
Fall 2019 Regional Meeting Agenda
University of Alabama at Birmingham – Birmingham, AL
Thursday, October 3rd 2019

- 10:00-10:15am
  Welcome and SEVSG Update – Adam Beck, MD and Yazan Duwayri, MD
  - Individual introductions, 5 attendees present now on GTM

- 10:15-11:00am
  National VQI and Pathways Development Update – Carrie Bosela, RN
  - RFA for Associate Dir- 6 applicants
  - QI Charter questions – not research!
  - Surgeon waiver for admin to see data – all surgeons at site must sign
  - Major hemodialysis updates – sept 18 webinar
  - Venous stent registry – 4 stents approved by FDA in 2019
  - Varicose vein registry to be simplified to capture only leg treated
  - AHA asked to partner w SVS to create aortic, carotid, & LE disease registry (vasc medicine) – 1st will only capture pt consult
  - Webinar to come – link to surgical registries when pt is sent to surgery – d/t PSO, data is site based, not cross pollinated
  - Diabetic foot registry- might be good partnership w AHA also, Carrie will take it back to PSO; Dr. Haverstock to discuss with his contacts in podiatry- no podiatry specific registry available that we know of
  - Audit update: contract w Q Centrics (3rd party abstractor for a lot of sites already) – 32 sites already have contract w Q Centrics (phase 1) – phase 2, starting now, there is a relationship but not necessarily VQI, so some paperwork needs to be in place; phase 3 in the future - sites w no current relationship will contract w Q Centrics and be audited remotely

- 11:00 -11:05am
  Arterial Quality Council Update - Adam Beck, MD
  - RAC update- 30-60 applications per month
  - Post market studies – steering away from device ID (unavoidable sometimes ie, CAS since there is only one device)
  - AQC- meets quarterly now, mostly decentralized to individual registry chairs (ie, Sal Scali is EVAR chair, so he deals w all things EVAR, and takes items to AQC periodically as he needs to)

- 11:05-11:10am
  Venous Quality Council Update- Olamide Alabi, MD
  - VQI as a part of accreditation to be a vein center – discussions since 2014, IAC strongly recommends being a part of a registry, but they don’t want to commit to a specific registry – should be mandatory, but then let centers pick?
  - Dr. Passman will be taking over from Dr. Almeida
  - Venous RAC was approved, RFA coming soon to seek venous stent RAC leader

BREAK

- 11:20-11:25am
  Governing Council Update – Yazan Duwayri, MD
  - Randomization of center IDs each year to prevent identification of sites

- 11:25am-11:40am
  Review of Recent VQI Publications - Jaime Benarroch-Gampel, MD
  - Sutzko- complications are low regardless, shouldn’t necessarily be restricted by age – poor f/u, demonstrates how important LTFU is – ability to use VQI/leverage the data to answer question easily without recreating the wheel –
  - Is data representative of all populations? Practitioners participating in VQI might have higher quality care
anyway because they clearly have interest in quality – paper recently comparing medicare analysis & VQI data analysis of varicose vein tx, and it was the same, indicating VQI represents whole population – time stamp of u/s to tell variation between centers will make it even more representative (upcoming varicose vein registry updates)
  o PRO registry that is optional- unwieldy but RAND corporation has ie, smoking cessation metrics that you can add as # and pull out of VQI
  - Goodney- figures are similar to regional reports we will share this afternoon – variability on intervention by aneurysm size internationally ie, 6cm in UK

• 11:40-11:55am
  Volume Outcomes and AAA: An International Perspective with VQI Data- Salvatore Scali, MD
  - Slides from presentation in Germany last week – ICVR international consortium of vascular registries- factor in number of providers per center? Granular provider data nor experience data available on aggregated international data – we’re good now at looking at CTA and telling who will be good or bad for EVAR and appropriately referring for EVAR so that is why there is mort difference for EVAR – some countries, facilities have to opt in for QCDR, but some (ie Sweden) all pts across whole country are in data set – definition of quality for EVAR vs open AAA (immediate success, survival, complications postop; vs long term durability) – surgeon factor probably matters, will try to use VQI data on surgeon experience to prove this since data isn’t there for international data set

LUNCH

• 12:35-1:15pm
  QI and the Data Manager – Alexis Neill, RN, MSN, Zdenek Novak, MD, PhD, and David Snyder, RN
  - Enhanced Recovery - iterative process that requires continued effort – will ing to share w other sites if interested (intro’d at UF, then implemented at UAB) – impressive that he was able to capture data, discussion of how to implement tracking via EMR, how to bill
  - Common issue in VQI is varying EMRs from provider to provider for one site – ie Wellstar clinic documentation is separate program from hospital, David shared how he has navigated between the two to improve LTFU rates

• 1:15-1:30pm
  ERAS Update from UAB – Adam Beck, MD
  - what/where to start first- have difficult conversations “around the water cooler” with key players, meanwhile implement the “easier” stuff in practice immediately – booklet to convince/communicate plan with pts (ie no opioids, use regional block which requires anesthesia to be on board which can be difficult depending on anesthesiologist/site “standard” practice) – happy to share regionally

BREAK

• 1:40-1:55pm
  Predictors of CSF Drain Use- Victoria Aucoin, MD

• 1:55-2:10pm
  Evaluation of Obesity on Lower Extremity Bypass Readmissions- Emily Spangler, MD

• 2:10pm-2:45pm
  Regional Report Findings – Yazan Duwayri, MD
  - Reviewed all findings – discussed identification of region wide QI effort

• 2:45-3:00pm
  Closing Remarks: SEVSG Future Directions & Action Items - Yazan Duwayri, MD
  - Dr. Duwayri completing 3 year term as SEVSG medical director – seeking nominees for the role
  - Next meeting likely Georgia? Difficulty getting to sites in Ga – hold at hotel near airport? Discussed holding meeting on same date(s) year to year for predictability to improve attendance