

# SoVONet Spring Regional Meeting 2023

Friday, April 21, 2023 0900-1200 CT

Memorial Hermann Memorial City

Houston, TX

## Meeting Highlights/Action Items

Refer to regional slide deck for detailed data located <https://www.vqi.org/regional-groups/southern-vascular-outcomes-network/>

On site attendance: 12

Remote attendance: 55

PSO Representative Attending Meeting: Betsy Wymer, DNP, RN, CV-BC

### I. Presentations:

None

### II. General Discussion and Questions

Given the new VV and IVCF f/u reports, SoVONet is requesting TEVAR/EVAR Sac Diameter reporting tracking mechanisms similar, same prompts for follow up. If these new reports can be developed, why can't they be applicable to the Sac Diameter reports? This was led and discussed by Dr. Coogan, Amanda, and Rosha. **Caroline Morgan will speak with the FIVOS team for possible development of a similar auto generated report for Sac Diameter, as is offered for IVC Filter, when initiated by a center.**

Dr. Linda Le from Methodist has spoken to KH at length and now is requesting to speak to the committee chair of CAS regarding registry exclusions. **Caroline Morgan will reach out to the Registry chair to connect them.**

Pre-op smoking – when a patient stop smoking date is unknown, do they input 1/1/2001? This was led and discussed by Amanda, Renee Palmer, and Rosha. **Please see the help text for entering dates:**

***List the exact MM/DD/YYYY patient quit smoking.***

***If day not known, use "1";***

*If month not known use "1";*

*If year not known give best estimate.*

When will TCPO2 begin to be collected? They are assuming this is for all arterial registries. The region agrees that this will be extremely challenging to collect, if collected at all which is very concerning. This was led and discussed by Dr. Gable and Rosha.

TcPO2/Toe Pressure is collected in the PVI registry with a 'Not measured' option. This was added to the Infra/Supra registries to align with PVI (a like registry) including a 'Not measured' select option. Note: for Toe Pressure and TcPO2 there are asterisks \*\* stating that only one needs to be completed for submission. The Lower Extremity Bypass Committee felt that it was extremely important to collect one of these variables and offer both options because practice patterns vary between physician groups. All new and revised variables were shared and approved by the AQC early 2023. With that being said, this will be shared with the LE Bypass Committee when variable review is completed for the selection of mandatory vs non-mandatory fields and possible variable selection for retirement.

RAC questions – why does it take longer to obtain Medicare data? Other RAC questions by Dr. Coogan who will contact Melissa Latus at [mlatus@svspsso.org](mailto:mlatus@svspsso.org) directly.

III. Action Items (including QI projects):

EVAR Sac Diameter Reporting 39.7%, need a physician champion at each center; should be a Regional QI project – contact Dr. Coogan; one volunteer is Dr. Carla Braxton – Houston Methodist

How to increase engagement and attendance for SoVONet regional meetings? In-person v Hybrid? Assign Top 10 publications? Timing, food and beverage?

IV. Nominations (AQC, VQC, RAC, Medical Director):

Regional Lead Data Manager – vacant

Renee Palmer – considering, will discuss with her leadership

V. Next Meeting:

Friday, November 3, 2023

In conjunction with TSVES

Post Oak Hotel Houston, TX