

Vascular Study Group of New England - VSGNE

Friday, May 19, 2023

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM ET

Hartford Healthcare – Hartford, CT

Hybrid

Meeting Attendance Credit

Before we get started...

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****SPECIAL NOTE: ALL ATTENDEES must have an ACTIVE PATHWAYS user account to get attendance credit!!!**

Time	Topic	CE Credit
10:00 am	<p>Welcome</p> <p>Regional Data Review – Dr. Jeffrey Siracuse, VSGNE Medical Director</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). • 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
11:00 am	<p>Regional QI Proposal – Dr. Jeffrey Siracuse, VSGNE Medical Director</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). • 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

Agenda (con't)

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12:00 pm	Lunch	No
1:00 pm	National VQI Update –Jens Jorgensen, MD, PSO Medical Director Learning Objectives: <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
2:00 pm	Break	No
2:15 pm	Guest Speaker – Salvatore Scali, MD	Yes
3:15 pm	AQC Update – Roger Laham, MD	No
3:20 pm	VQC Update –Nathan Aranson, MD	No
3:25 pm	RAC Update –Jeffrey Siracuse, MD	No
3:35 pm	Governing Council Update –Jeffrey Siracuse, MD	No
3:40 pm	Case Presentations RAC Presentations 1 -7	No
4:00 pm	Open Discussion/Next Meeting/Meeting Evaluation	No

None

Welcome and Introductions

Backus Hospital
Baystate Medical Center
Berkshire Medical Center
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
Boston Medical Center
Bridgeport Hospital
Brigham and Women's Hospital
Brockton Hospital
Cape Cod Hospital
Catholic Medical Center; CTSA NH
Central Maine Medical Center
Charlton Memorial Hospital
Concord Hospital
Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center
Elliot Health System
Exeter Hospital
Griffin Hospital
Hartford Hospital

Kent Hospital
Lawrence + Memorial Hospital
Maine Medical Center
MaineGeneral Medical Center
Massachusetts General Hospital
Middlesex Hospital
MidState Medical Center
Mount Auburn Hospital
Newton-Wellesley Hospital
Portsmouth Regional Hospital
Rhode Island Hospital
Saint Francis Hospital and
Medical Center
Salem Hospital
St. Elizabeth Medical Center
St. Luke's Hospital
St. Mary's Hospital - Waterbury
St. Vincent's Medical Center
Stamford Hospital

Steward Good Samaritan
Medical Center, Inc.
Steward St. Anne's Hospital Corporation
The Hospital Of Central Connecticut
The Miriam Hospital
The Vascular Care Group
Tufts Medical Center
UMass Memorial Medical Center, Inc.
University of Connecticut Health Center
University of Vermont Medical Center
Waterbury Hospital
Winchester Hospital
Yale New Haven Hospital

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.

Spring 2023 Regional Data Slides

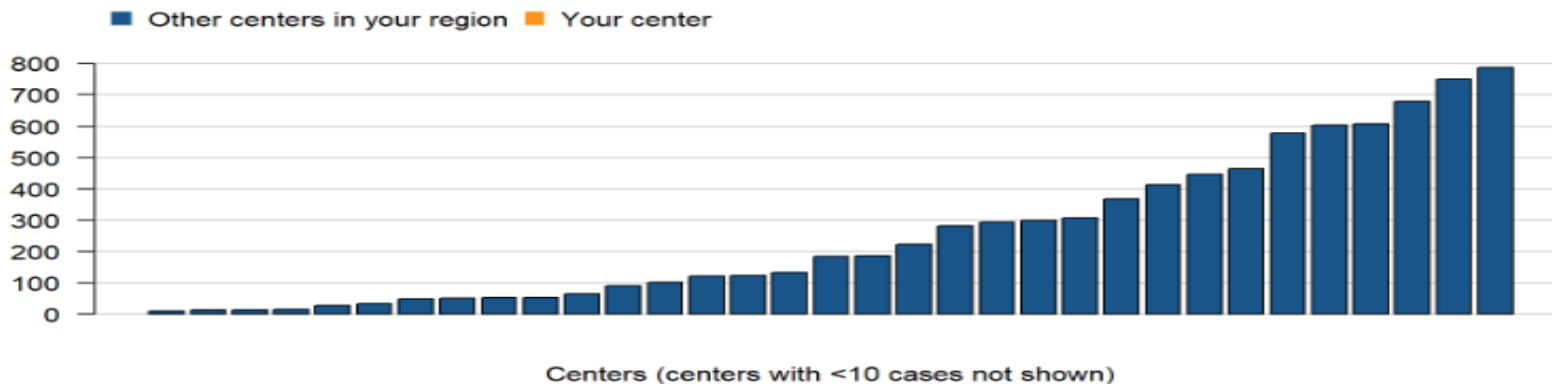
Procedure Volume

Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

Number of cases entered into the VQI, by registry and overall

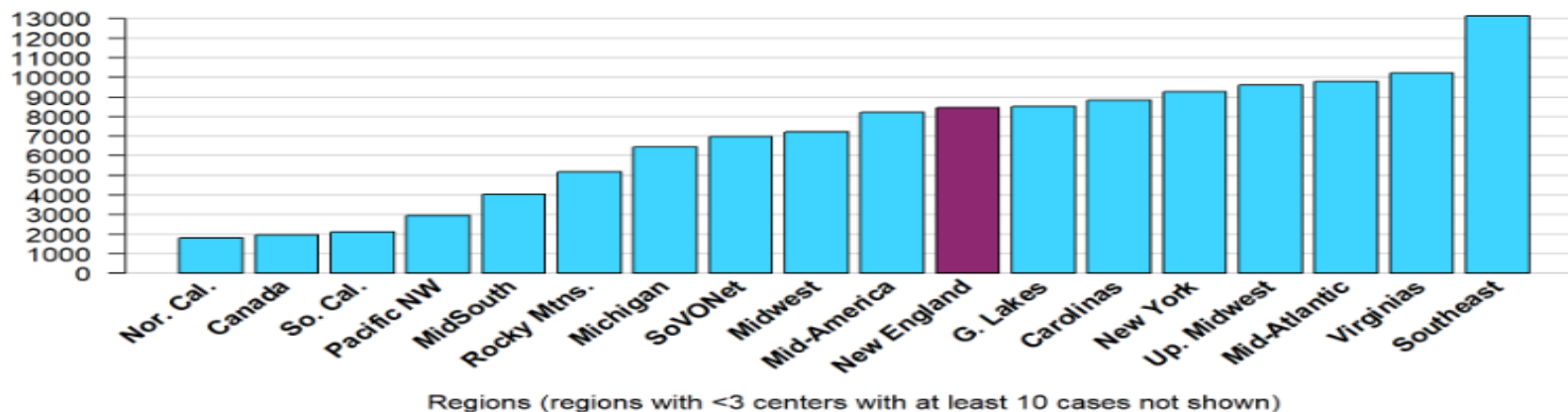
	Your Center (N)	Your Region (N)	VQI Overall (N)
CAS (TFEM CAS & TCAR)		983	20003
CEA		1377	18006
EVAR		526	7759
HDA		408	5664
INFRA		833	6979
IVCF		NA (<3 centers)	1101
LEAMP		167	3365
OAAA		217	1339
PVI		3296	48816
SUPRA		310	2063
TEVAR		337	3665
Varicose Veins		NA (<3 centers)	6500
Overall (Jan-Dec 2022)		8456	125260
Overall (Jan-Dec 2021)		9175	126046

Procedure Volume by Center in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Procedure Volume Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



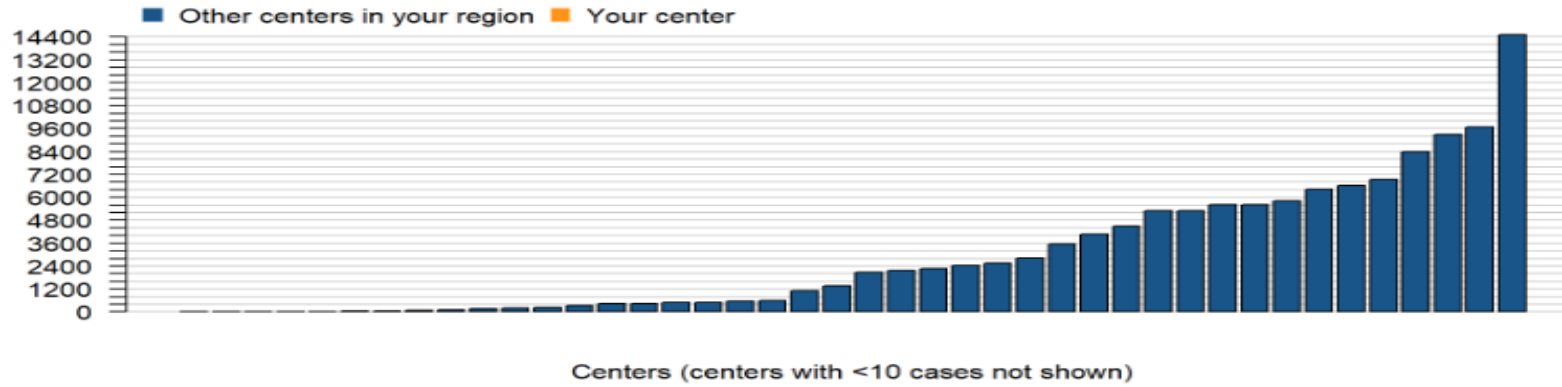
Procedure Volume, All Years

Includes all procedures with procedure date through December 31, 2022

Number of cases entered into the VQI, by registry and overall

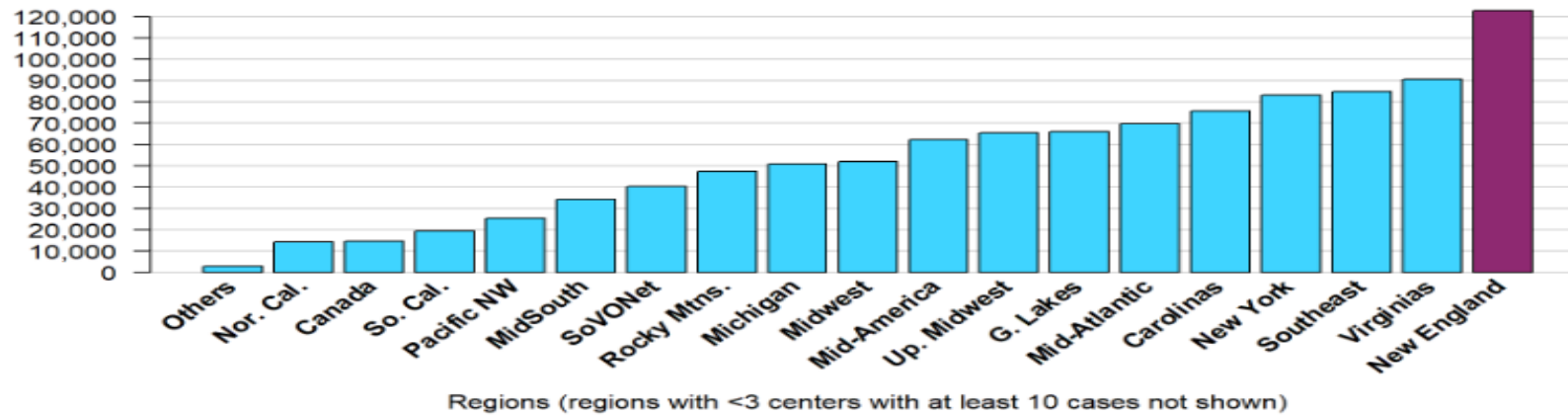
	Your Center (N)	Your Region (N)	VQI Overall (N)
CAS (TFEM CAS & TCAR)		6723	88622
CEA		27921	186348
EVAR		9618	76380
HDA		6247	72316
INFRA		15996	77555
IVCF		NA (<3 centers)	17782
LEAMP		1985	26942
OAAA		4445	17052
PVI		41475	352693
SUPRA		4808	24831
TEVAR		2646	26757
Varicose Veins		970	58547
Overall		122926	1025825

Procedure Volume by Center in Your Region (Through Dec 2022)



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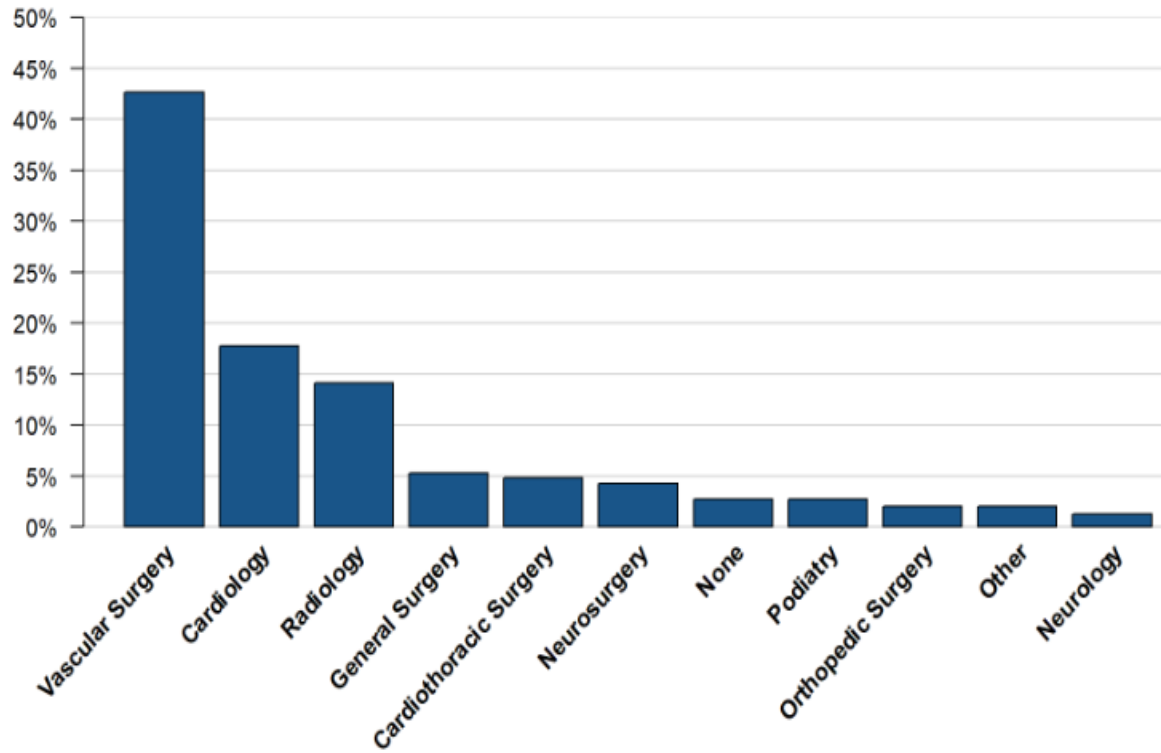
Procedure Volume Across VQI (Through Dec 2022)



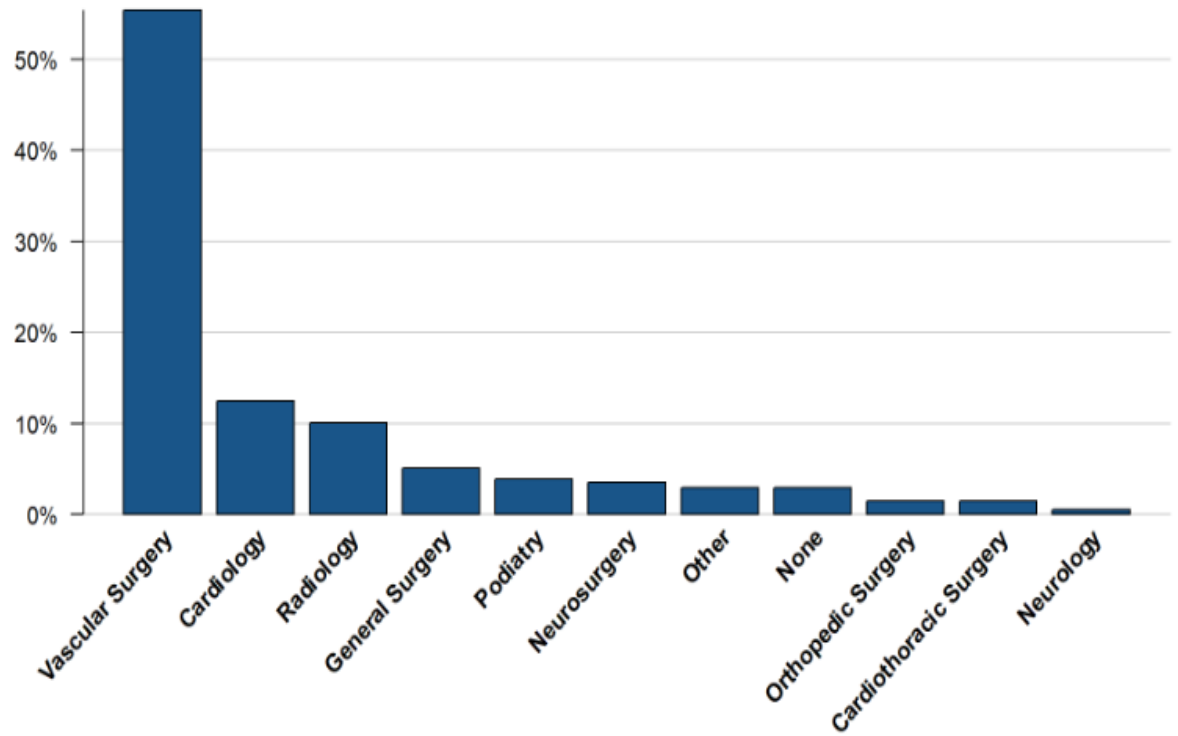
"Others" indicates centers that do not belong to a regional group.

Physician Specialties

Physician Specialties Across VQI (as of January 31, 2023, N=6651 Physicians)



Physician Specialties Across Your Region (as of January 31, 2023, N=336 Physicians)



Long-Term Follow-up

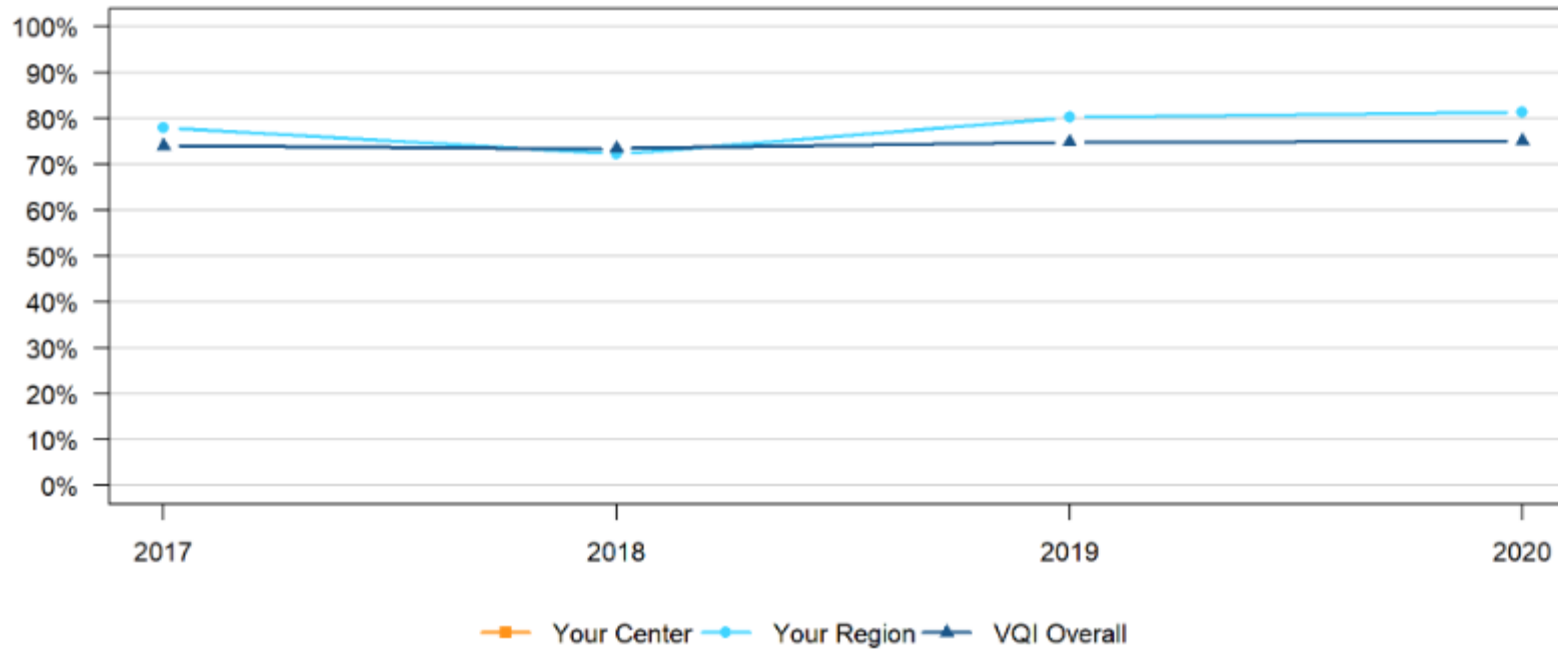
Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2020

Includes CAS (TFEM CAS and TCAR), CEA, EVAR, HDA, INFRA, IVCF, LEAMP, OAAA, PVI, SUPRA, and TEVAR procedures only. Excludes procedures not eligible for long-term follow-up.

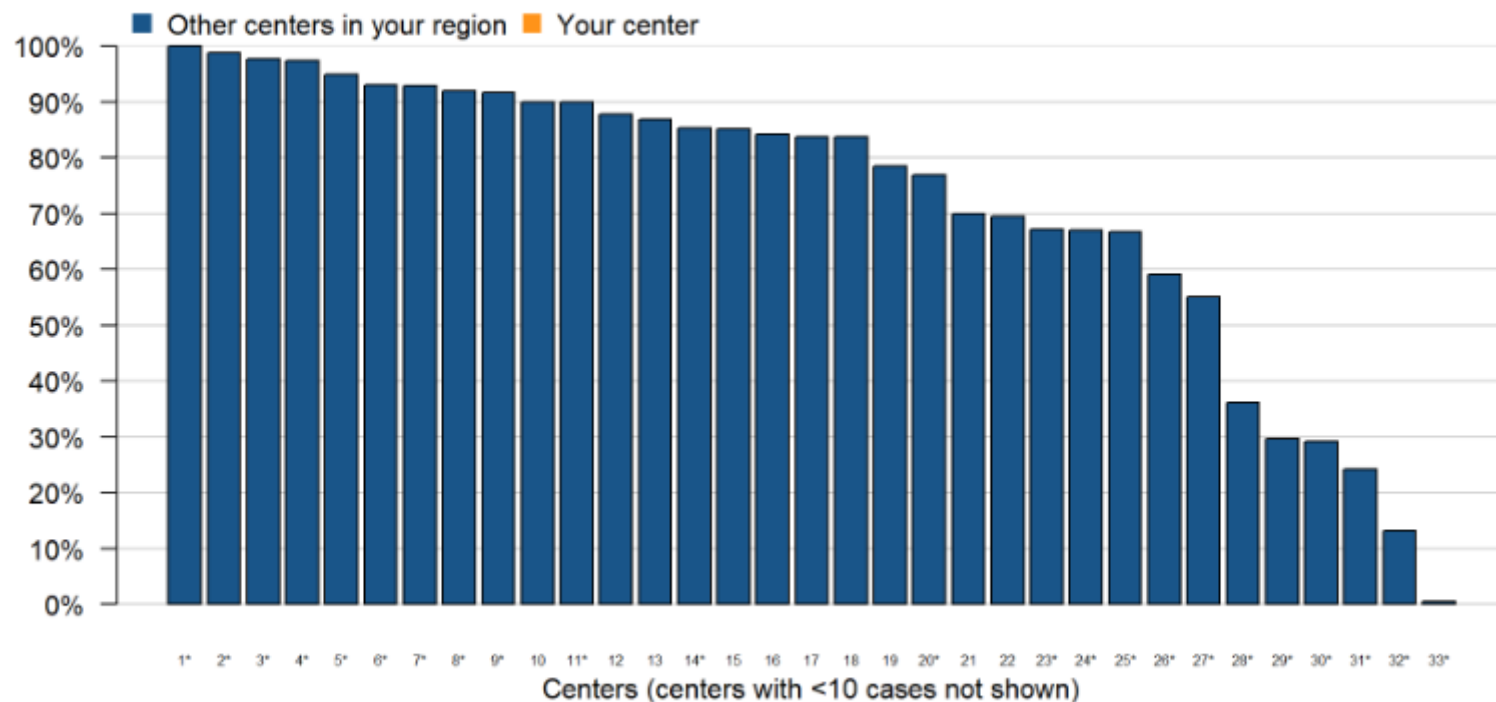
The table below gives the number of procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures with follow-up recorded between 9 and 21 months post-procedure.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
CAS		784 (74%)	12510 (72%)
CEA		1447 (79%)	17079 (77%)
EVAR		460 (75%)	6985 (76%)
HDA		416 (92%)	7359 (78%)
INFRA		828 (84%)	7243 (78%)
IVCF		NA (<3 centers)	1526 (82%)
LEAMP		153 (79%)	3301 (75%)
OAAA		168 (79%)	1233 (79%)
PVI		3298 (83%)	39984 (74%)
SUPRA		291 (81%)	2021 (78%)
TEVAR		207 (81%)	2804 (74%)
Overall (Jan-Dec 2020)		8055 (81%)	102045 (75%)
Overall (Jan-Dec 2019)		9316 (80%)	105991 (75%)

Long-Term Follow-Up by Year



Long-Term Follow-Up by Center in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2020)



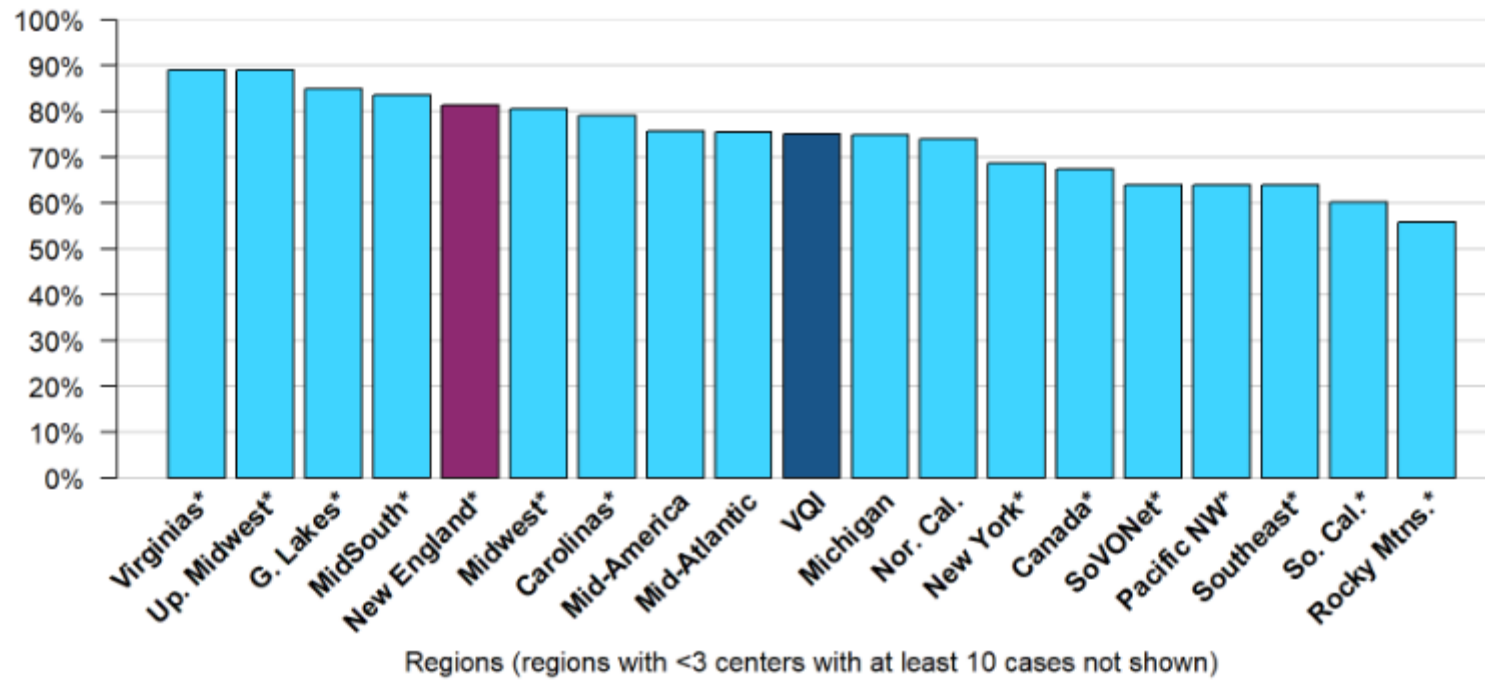
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Long-Term Follow-Up Unblinding Legend for Your Region

Index	Medical Center Name
1	Backus Hospital
2	Central Maine Medical Center
3	University of Vermont Medical Center
4	Yale New Haven Hospital
5	The Hospital Of Central Connecticut
6	Hartford Hospital
7	UMass Memorial Medical Center, Inc.
8	Baystate Medical Center
9	Elliot Health System
10	University of Connecticut Health Center
11	Brigham and Women’s Hospital
12	Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center
13	Concord Hospital
14	Maine Medical Center
15	Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
16	Stamford Hospital
17	St. Vincent’s Medical Center
18	Boston Medical Center
19	Tufts Medical Center
20	Catholic Medical Center; CTSA NH
21	Cape Cod Hospital
22	The Vascular Care Group
23	Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center
24	Massachusetts General Hospital
25	St. Elizabeth Medical Center
26	The Miriam Hospital
27	Rhode Island Hospital
28	NA
29	Portsmouth Regional Hospital
30	Charlton Memorial Hospital
31	MaineGeneral Medical Center
32	MidState Medical Center
33	Steward Good Samaritan Medical Center, Inc.

Long-Term Follow-Up by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2020)



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Discharge Medications

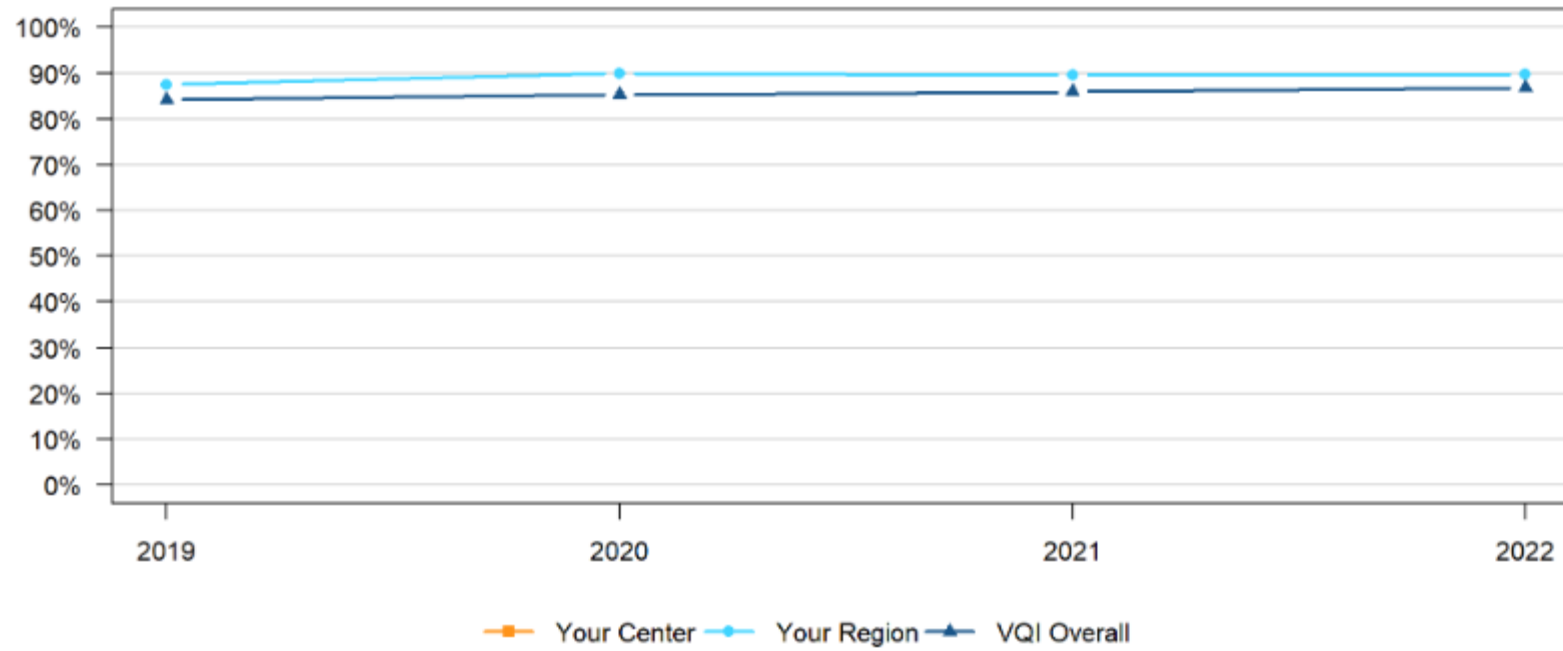
Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

Includes CAS (TFEM CAS and TCAR), CEA, EVAR, INFRA, LEAMP, OAAA, PVI, SUPRA, and TEVAR procedures only. Antiplatelet is defined as ASA or P2Y12 inhibitor. Cases are excluded if (1) Discharge Statin = “No, for medical reason” OR (2) Both Discharge ASA = “No, for medical reason” AND Discharge P2Y12 inhibitor = “No, for medical reason” OR (3) An in-hospital death occurred.

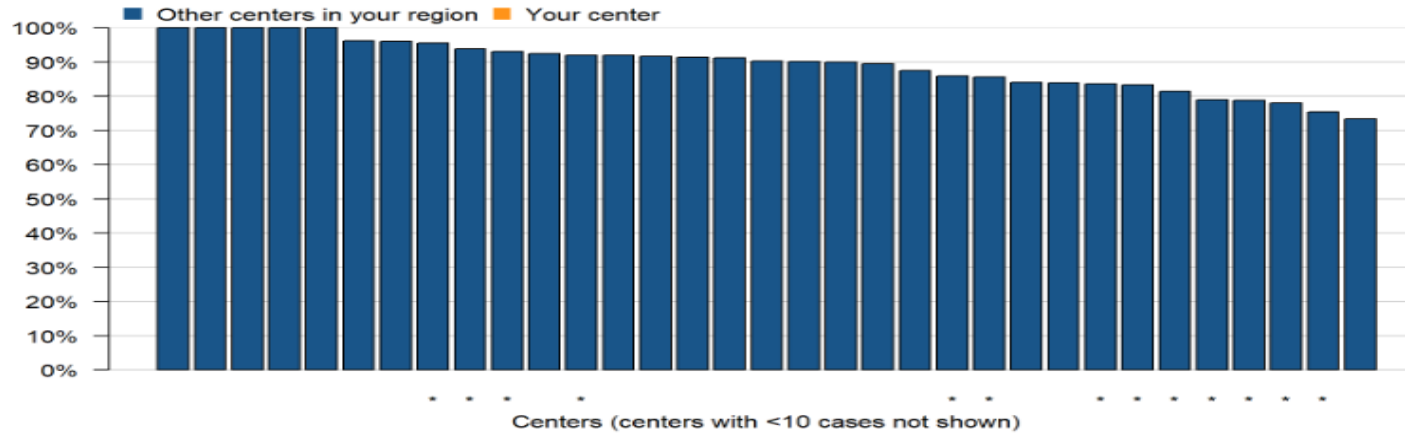
The table below gives the number of procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures where patients received discharge medications.

	Number of Procedures at Your Center	Antiplatelet+Statin	Antiplatelet Only	Statin Only	Neither
CAS					
CEA					
EVAR					
INFRA					
LEAMP					
OAAA					
PVI					
SUPRA					
TEVAR					
Your Center Overall					
Your Region Overall	7636	90%	6%	3%	1%
VQI Overall	105416	87%	8%	3%	2%

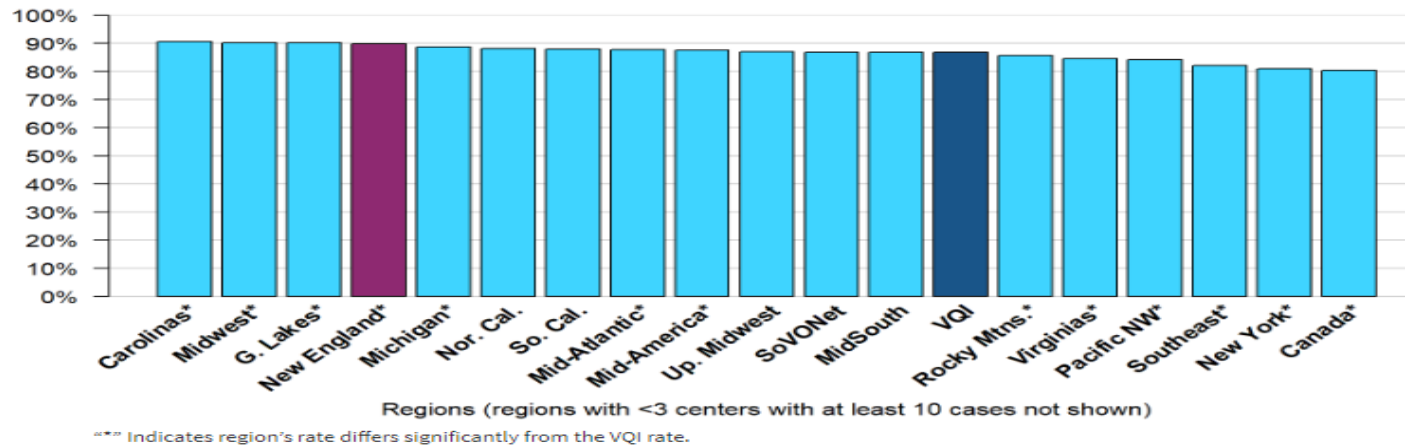
Discharge Antiplatelet+Statin by Year



Discharge Antiplatelet+Statin by Center in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



Discharge Antiplatelet+Statin by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



Preop Smoking

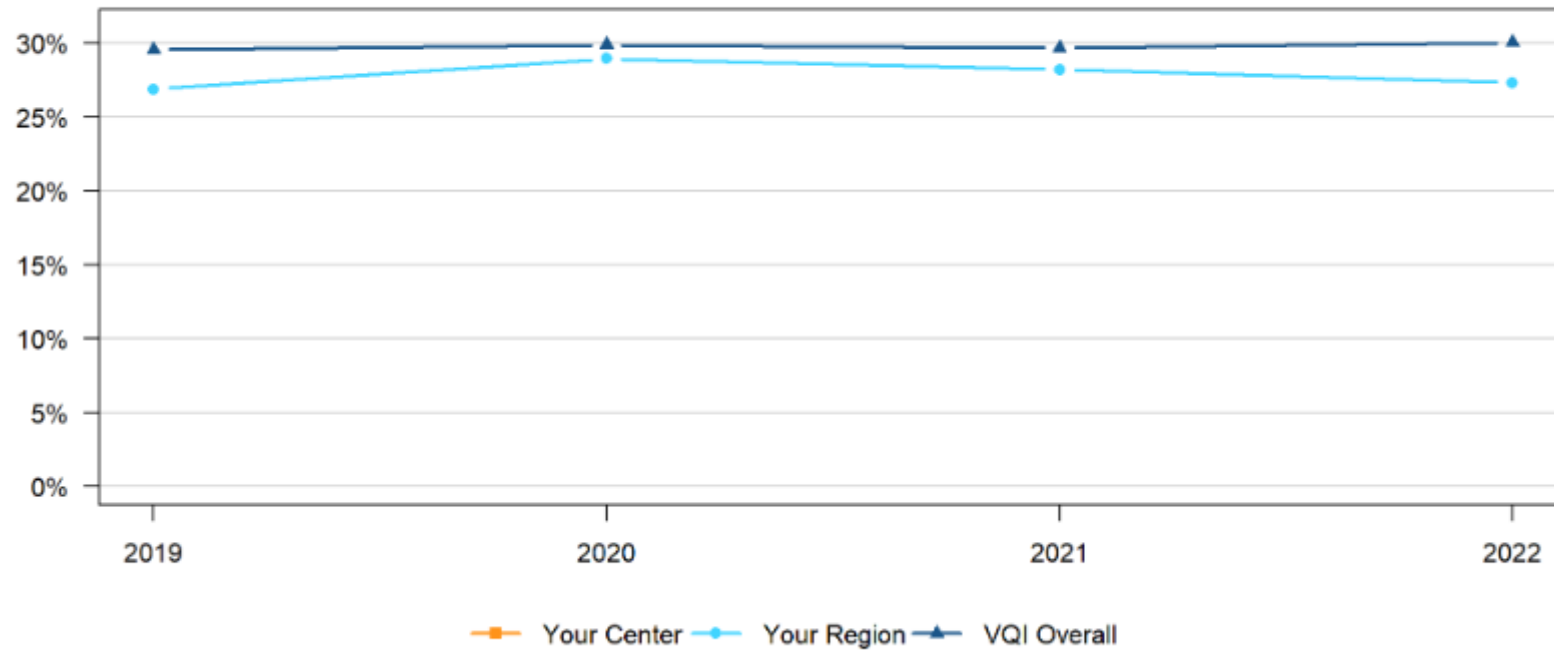
Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

Includes elective CAS (TFEM CAS and TCAR), CEA, EVAR, INFRA, LEAMP, OAAA, PVI, SUPRA, and TEVAR procedures only.

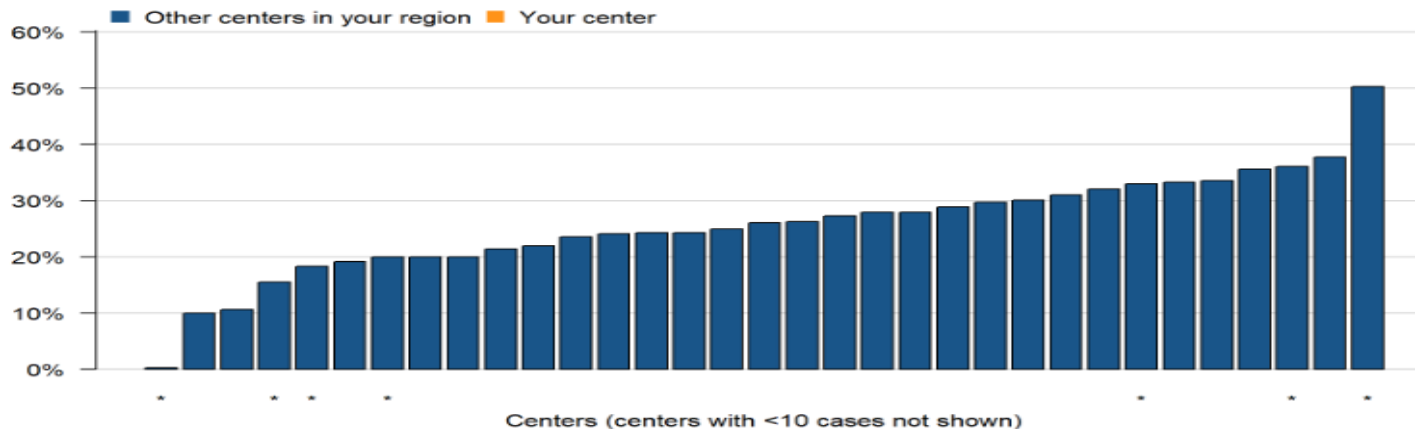
The table below gives the number of procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures where the patient was still smoking within one month of the procedure.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
CAS		780 (19%)	15892 (22%)
CEA		1150 (23%)	15161 (25%)
EVAR		449 (30%)	6490 (32%)
INFRA		592 (35%)	5229 (39%)
LEAMP		72 (29%)	1604 (26%)
OAAA		163 (38%)	992 (42%)
PVI		2686 (27%)	37730 (33%)
SUPRA		218 (53%)	1550 (55%)
TEVAR		245 (26%)	2575 (30%)
Overall (Jan-Dec 2022)		6355 (27%)	87223 (30%)

Preop Smoking by Year



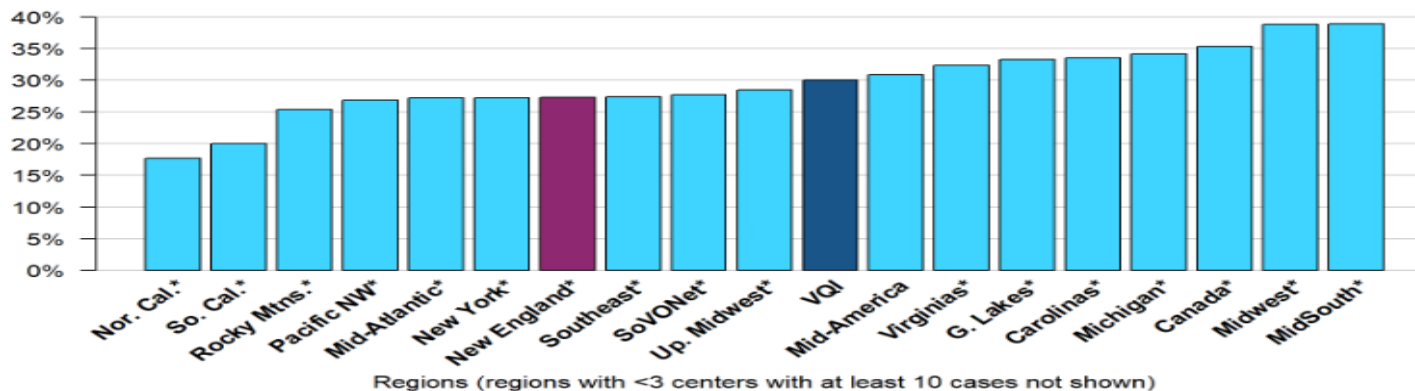
Preop Smoking by Center in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Preop Smoking by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Smoking Cessation

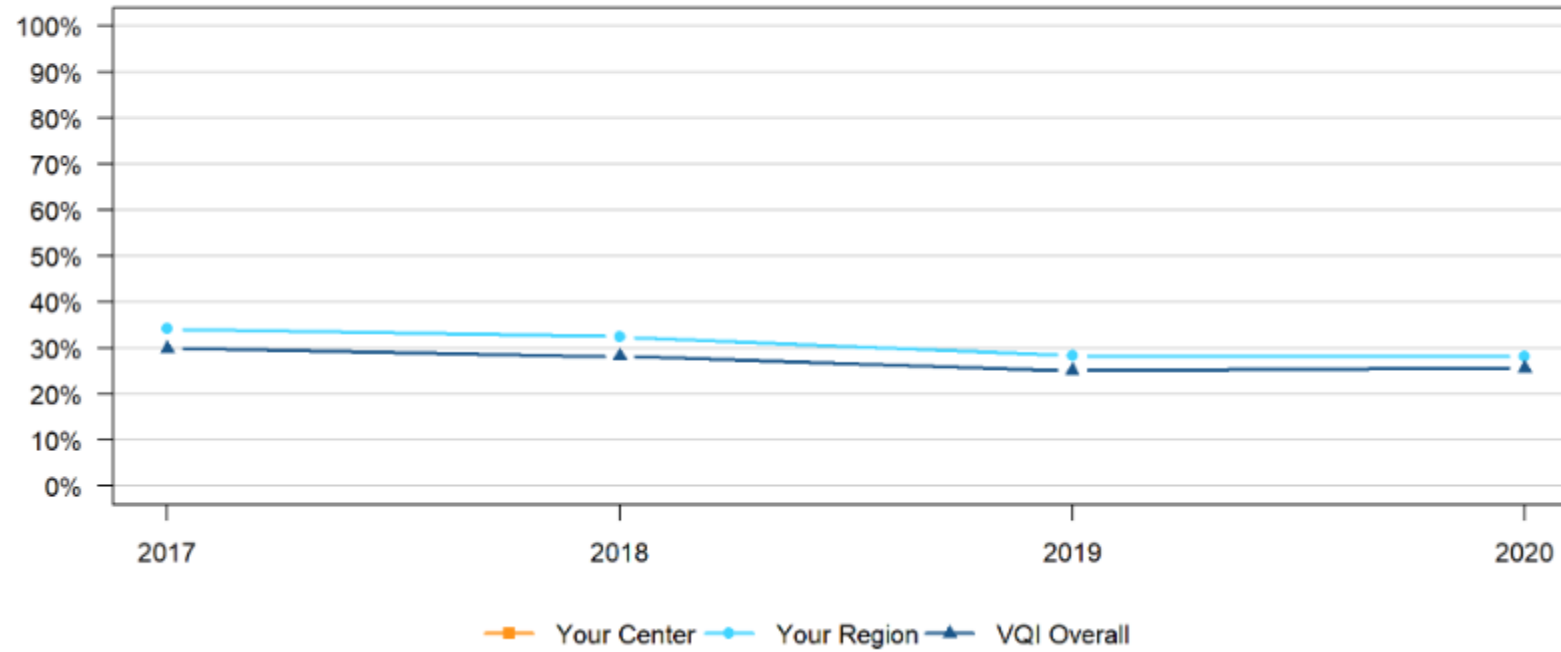
Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2020

Includes CAS (TFEM CAS and TCAR), CEA, EVAR, HDA, INFRA, LEAMP, OAAA, PVI, SUPRA, and TEVAR procedures performed on patients still smoking within one month of the procedure. Excludes procedures that do not have at least one long-term follow-up record where the patient's follow-up smoking status was recorded.

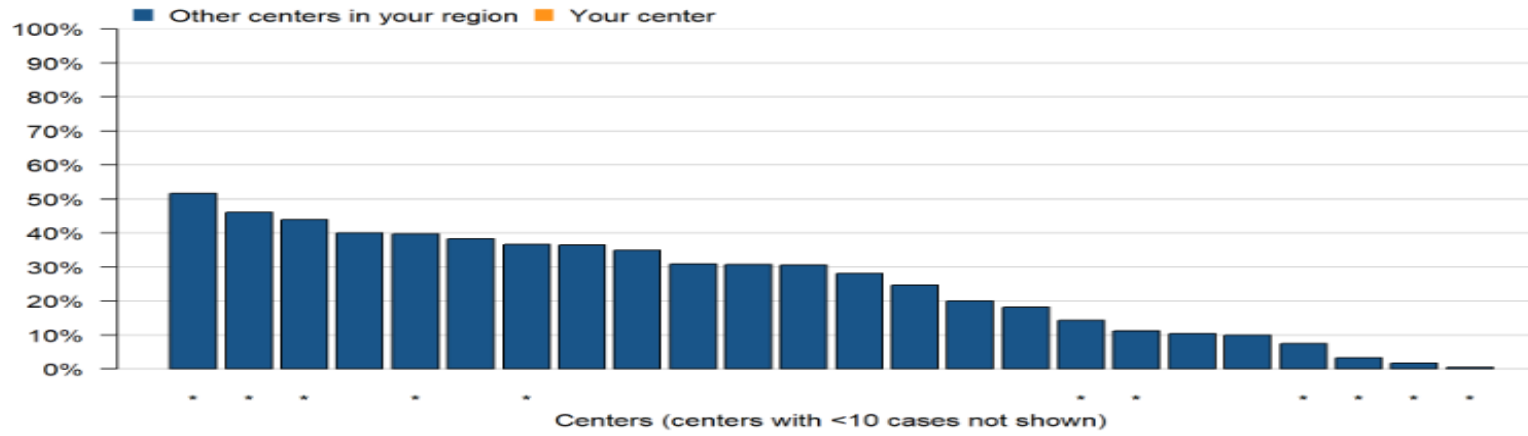
The table below gives the number of procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures where the patient was not smoking within one month on follow-up for *all* long-term follow-up records where the patient's follow-up smoking status was recorded.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
CAS		115 (37%)	2123 (26%)
CEA		260 (30%)	3104 (22%)
EVAR		89 (21%)	1640 (22%)
HDA		44 (NA)	647 (30%)
INFRA		255 (23%)	2171 (27%)
LEAMP		22 (18%)	519 (31%)
OAAA		57 (32%)	398 (25%)
PVI		702 (29%)	8478 (26%)
SUPRA		132 (27%)	845 (28%)
TEVAR		49 (37%)	567 (33%)
Overall (Jan-Dec 2020)		1725 (28%)	20492 (26%)

Smoking Cessation by Year



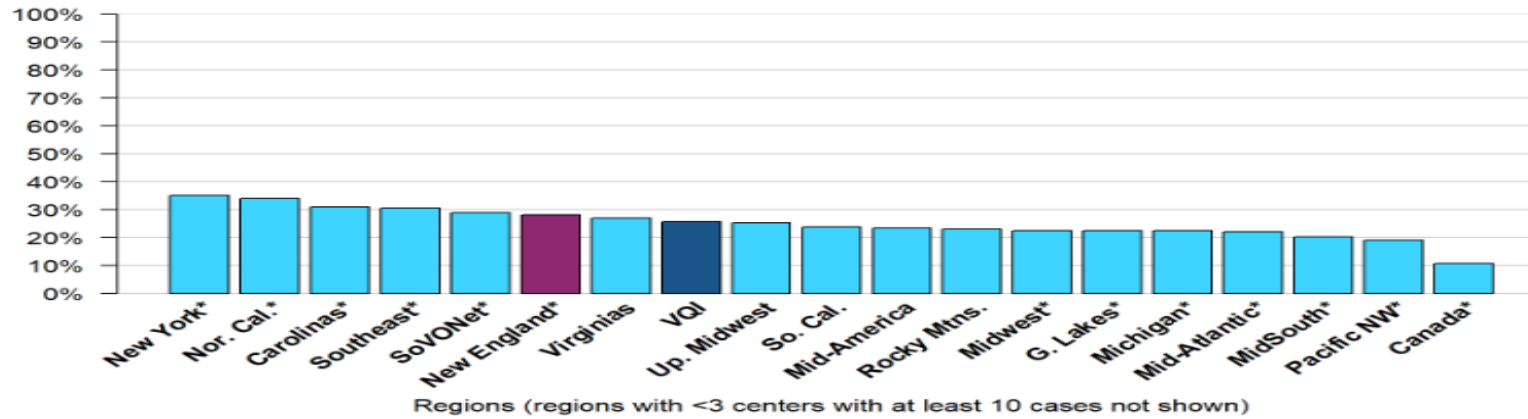
Smoking Cessation by Center in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2020)



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Smoking Cessation by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2020)



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TFEM CAS ASYMP: Stroke/Death

Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

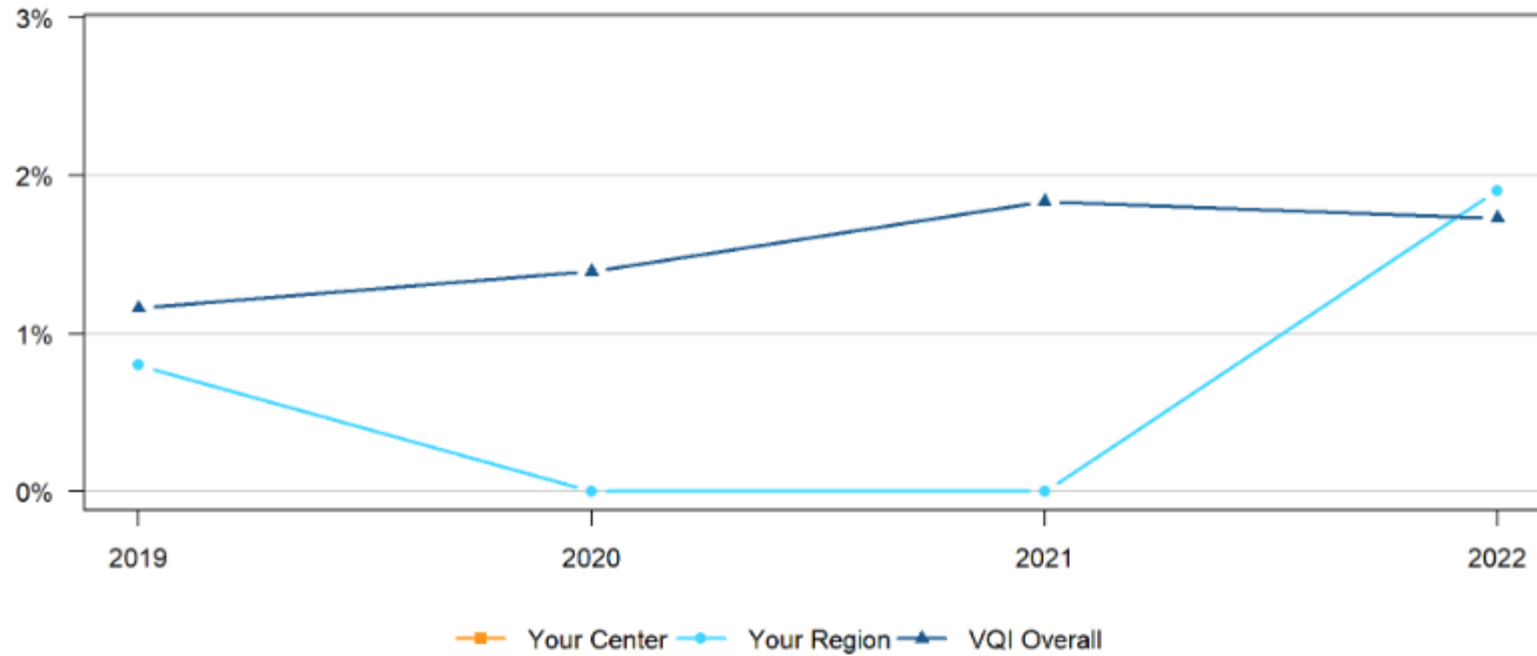
Includes Transfemoral Carotid Artery Stenting (TFEM CAS) procedures performed on asymptomatic patients. Asymptomatic patients are patients with no ipsilateral or contralateral retinal or cortical TIA or stroke within 180 days prior to surgery. Includes procedures utilizing a femoral, brachial, or radial approach. Excludes any patient with prior vertebrobasilar TIA or stroke, prior ipsilateral CAS, CAS for intracranial treatment, or any procedure involving dissection, trauma, FMD, or “Other” lesion types. Procedures with an approach other than femoral, brachial, or radial are also excluded.

The table below gives the number of TFEM CAS procedures (performed on asymptomatic patients) meeting the inclusion criteria, and the observed and expected rates of in-hospital stroke or death for those cases.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of TFEM CAS procedures meeting inclusion criteria		105	2426
Observed rate of stroke or death among procedures meeting inclusion criteria		1.9%	1.7%
Number of procedures with complete data*		90	2202
Observed rate of stroke or death among cases with complete data		2.2%	1.8%
Expected rate of stroke or death among cases with complete data		1.6%	NA
P-value for comparison of observed and expected rates		0.66	NA

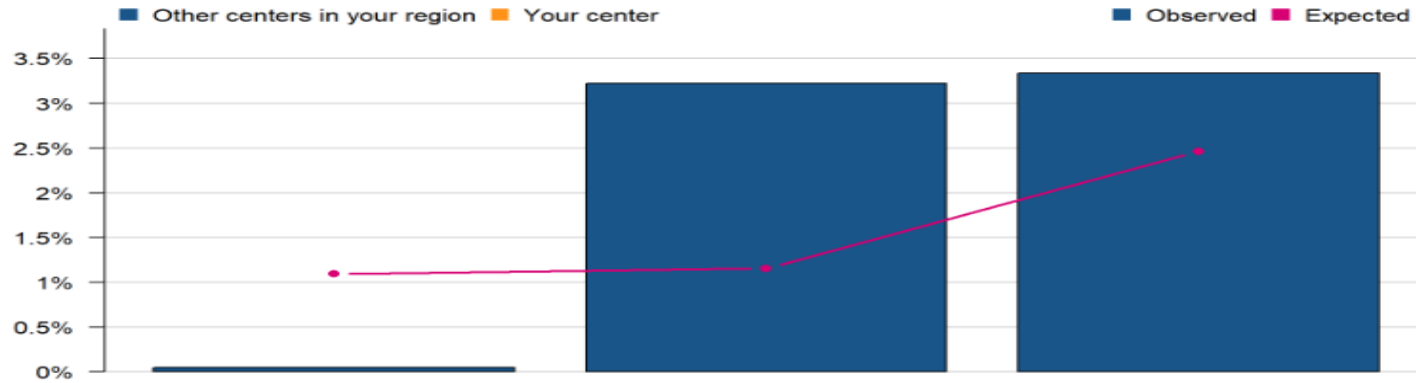
*“Expected rate” is the rate estimated by a statistical model that accounts for patient characteristics, including age, gender, race, BMI, comorbidities, medication and stroke and vascular history. “Cases with complete data” include patients who have data on all of those factors.

Stroke or Death after TFEM CAS for Asymptomatic Patients by Year



Rates shown are observed rates among cases meeting inclusion criteria.

Stroke or Death after TFEM CAS for Asymptomatic Patients in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)

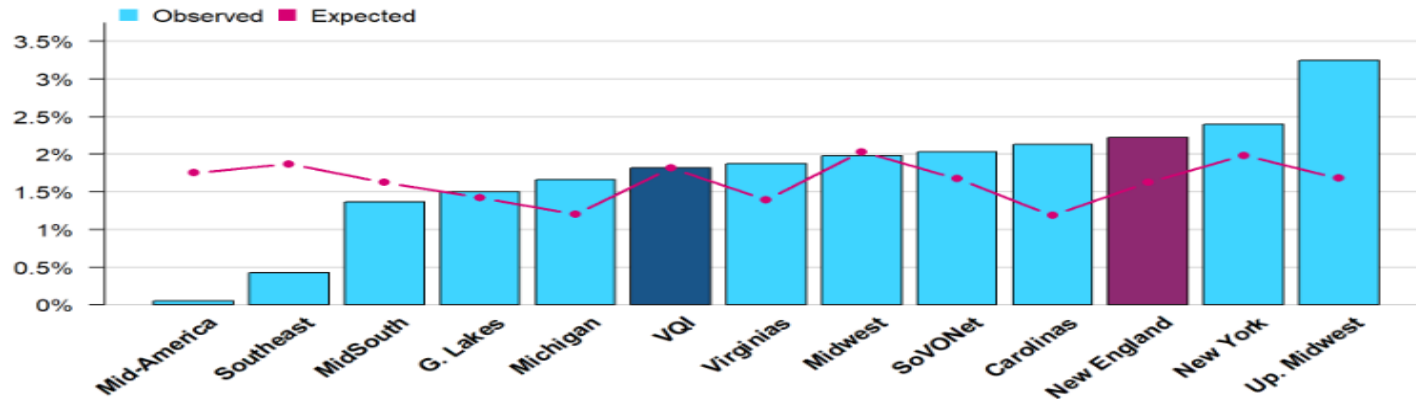


Centers (centers with <10 complete cases not shown)

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Stroke or Death after TFEM CAS for Asymptomatic Patients by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



Regions (regions with <3 centers with at least 10 complete cases not shown)

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TFEM CAS SYMP: Stroke/Death

Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

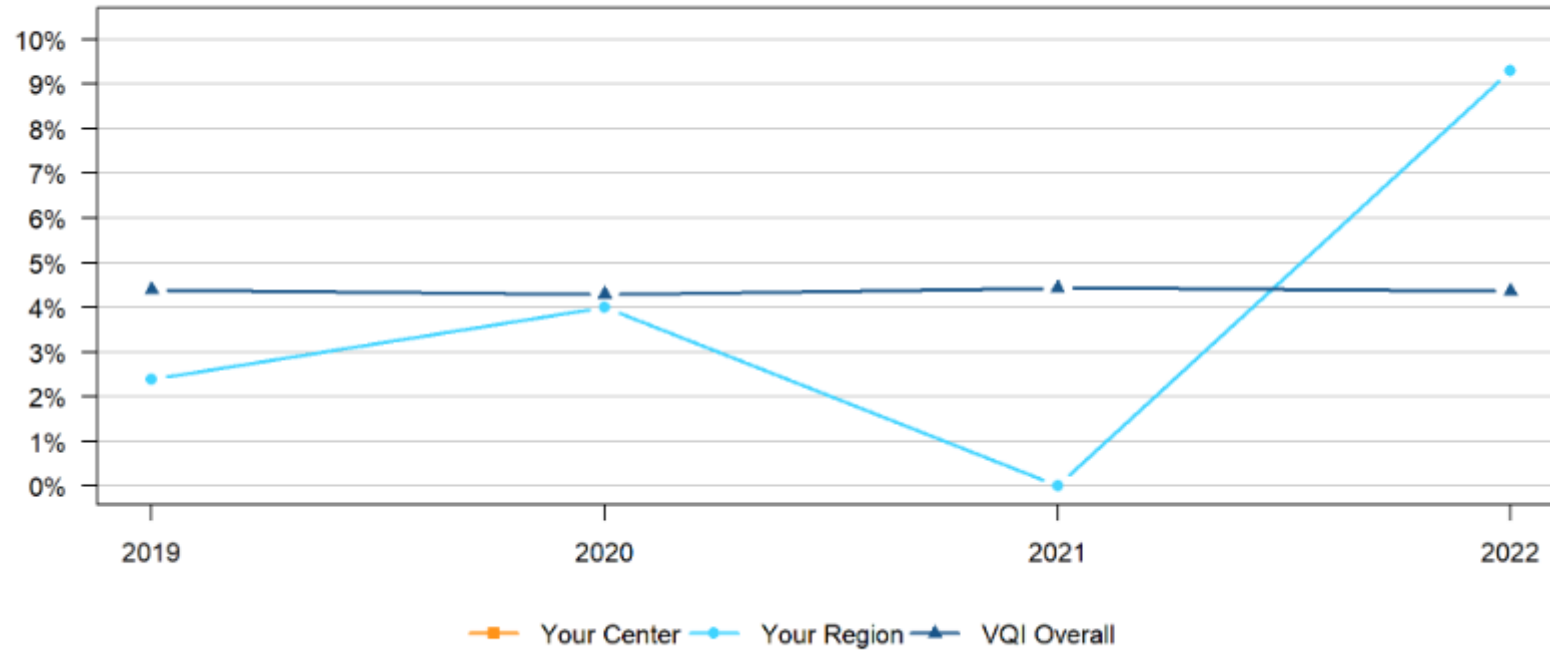
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The table below gives the number of TFEM CAS procedures (performed on symptomatic patients) meeting the inclusion criteria, and the observed and expected rates of in-hospital stroke or death for those cases.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of TFEM CAS procedures meeting inclusion criteria		86	2659
Observed rate of stroke or death among procedures meeting inclusion criteria		9.3%	4.4%
Number of procedures with complete data*		76	2486
Observed rate of stroke or death among cases with complete data		9.2%	4.1%
Expected rate of stroke or death among cases with complete data		5%	NA
P-value for comparison of observed and expected rates		0.1	NA

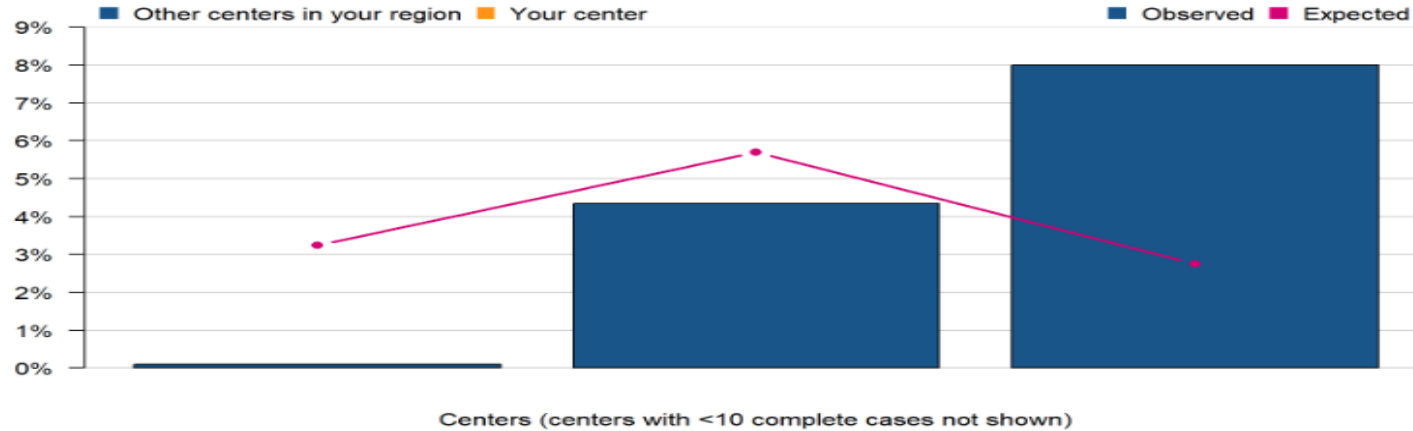
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Stroke or Death after TFEM CAS for Symptomatic Patients by Year



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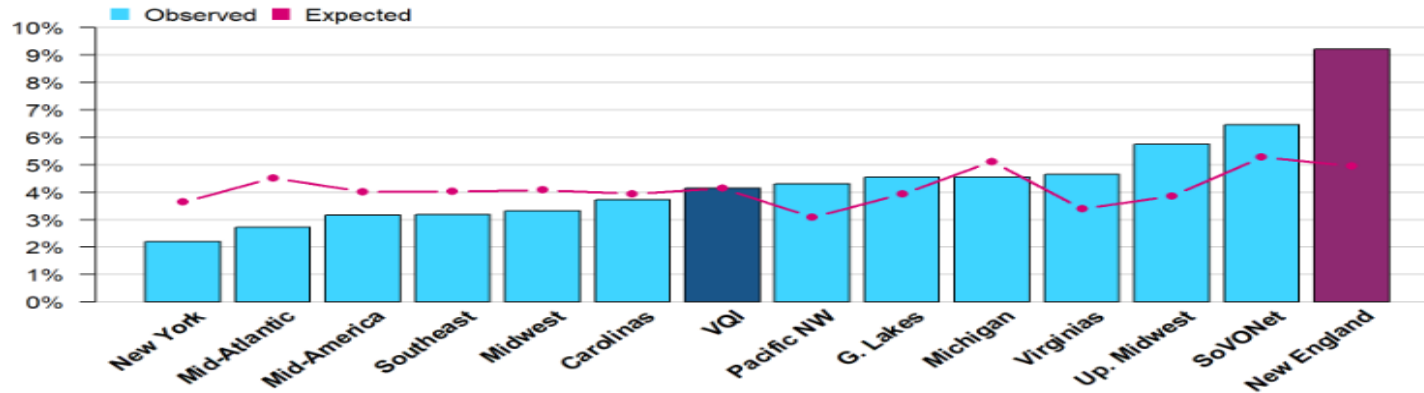
Stroke or Death after TFEM CAS for Symptomatic Patients in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Stroke or Death after TFEM CAS for Symptomatic Patients by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



Regions (regions with <3 centers with at least 10 complete cases not shown)

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TCAR ASYMP: Stroke/Death

Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

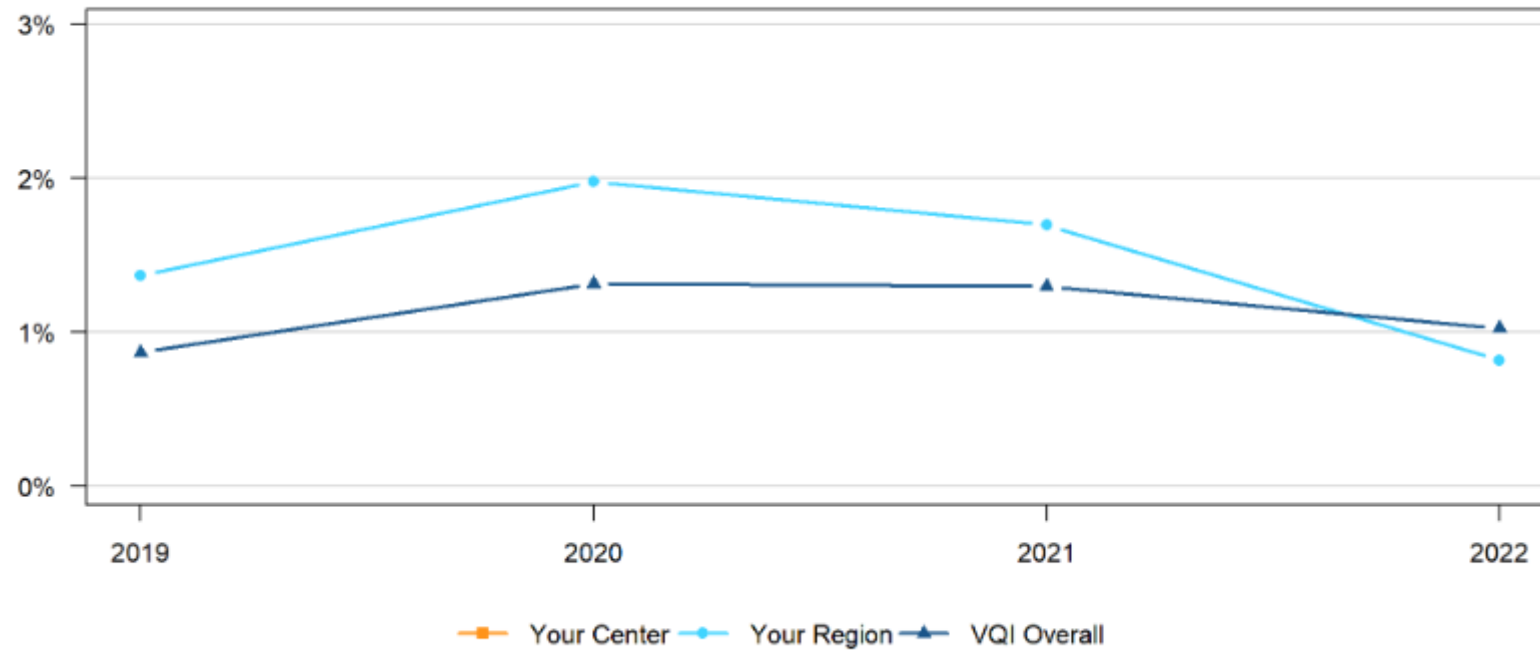
Includes TransCarotid Artery Revascularization (TCAR) procedures performed on asymptomatic patients. Asymptomatic patients are patients with no ipsilateral or contralateral retinal or cortical TIA or stroke within 180 days prior to surgery. Excludes any patient with prior vertebrobasilar TIA or stroke, prior ipsilateral CAS, CAS for intracranial treatment, or any procedure involving dissection, trauma, FMD, or “Other” lesion types. Procedures with an approach other than carotid percutaneous or carotid open are also excluded.

The table below gives the number of TCAR procedures (performed on asymptomatic patients) meeting the inclusion criteria, and the observed and expected rates of in-hospital stroke or death for those cases.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of TCAR procedures meeting inclusion criteria		367	7701
Observed rate of stroke or death among procedures meeting inclusion criteria		0.8%	1%
Number of procedures with complete data*		318	7136
Observed rate of stroke or death among cases with complete data		0.9%	1%
Expected rate of stroke or death among cases with complete data		1%	NA
P-value for comparison of observed and expected rates		1	NA

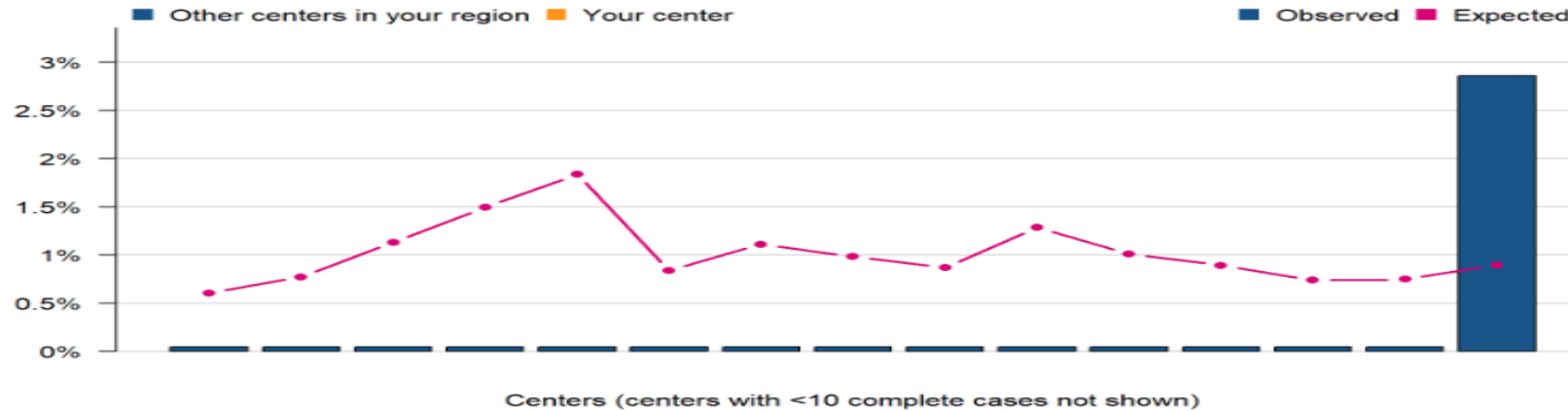
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Stroke or Death after TCAR for Asymptomatic Patients by Year



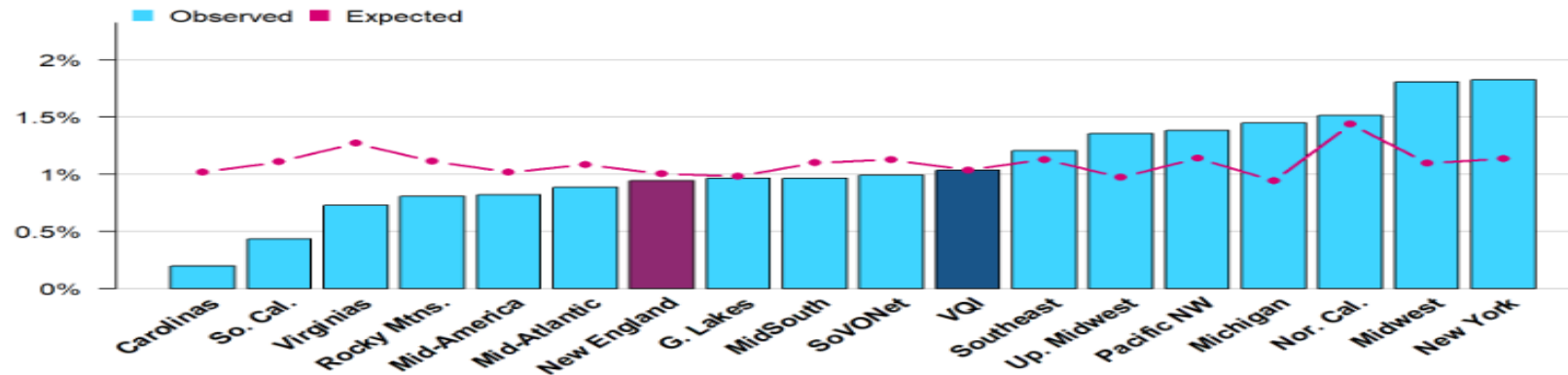
Rates shown are observed rates among cases meeting inclusion criteria.

Stroke or Death after TCAR for Asymptomatic Patients in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Rates shown are among cases with complete data. "*" Indicates center's observed rate differs significantly from its expected rate

Stroke or Death after TCAR for Asymptomatic Patients by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



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TCAR SYMP: Stroke/Death

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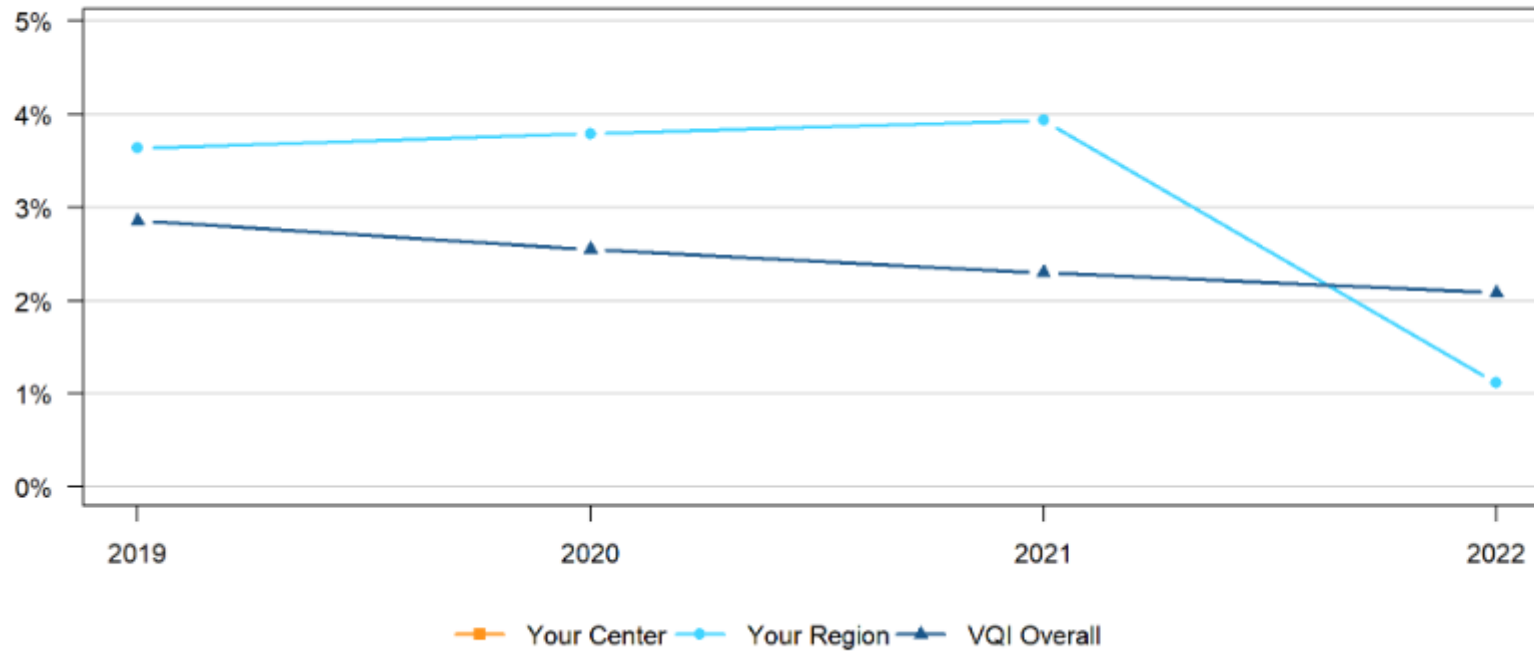
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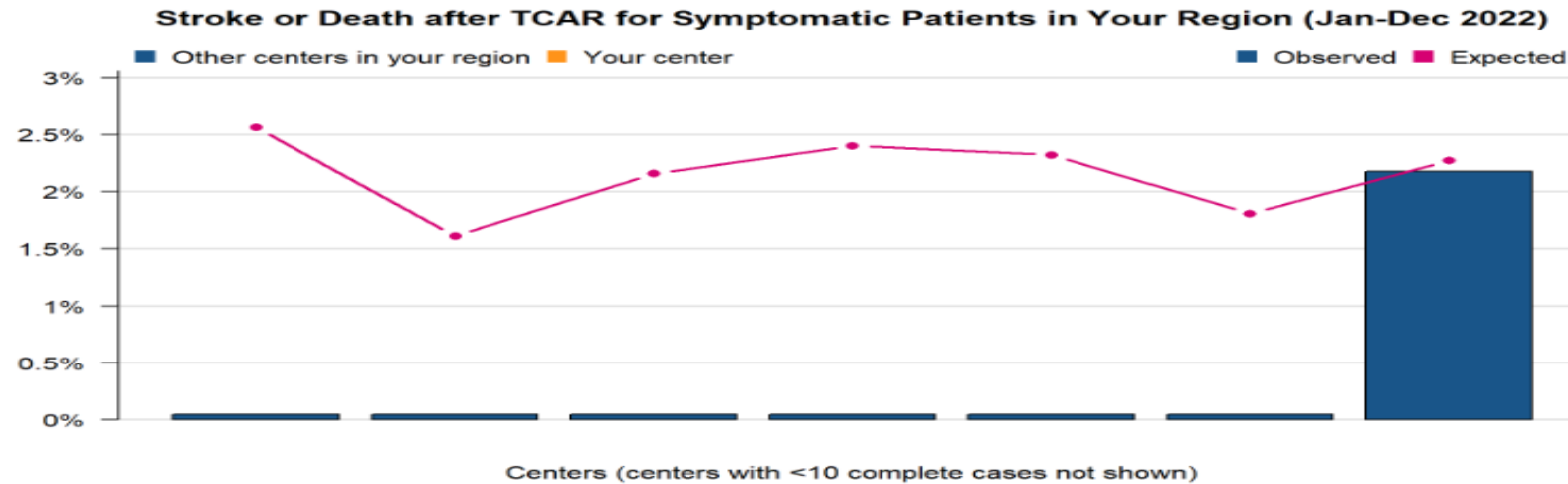
	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of TCAR procedures meeting inclusion criteria		269	3840
Observed rate of stroke or death among procedures meeting inclusion criteria		1.1%	2.1%
Number of procedures with complete data*		224	3606
Observed rate of stroke or death among cases with complete data		1.3%	2.1%
Expected rate of stroke or death among cases with complete data		2.2%	NA
P-value for comparison of observed and expected rates		0.64	NA

*“Expected rate” is the rate estimated by a statistical model that accounts for patient characteristics, including age, gender, race, BMI, comorbidities, medication and stroke and vascular history. “Cases with complete data” include patients who have data on all of those factors.

Stroke or Death after TCAR for Symptomatic Patients by Year

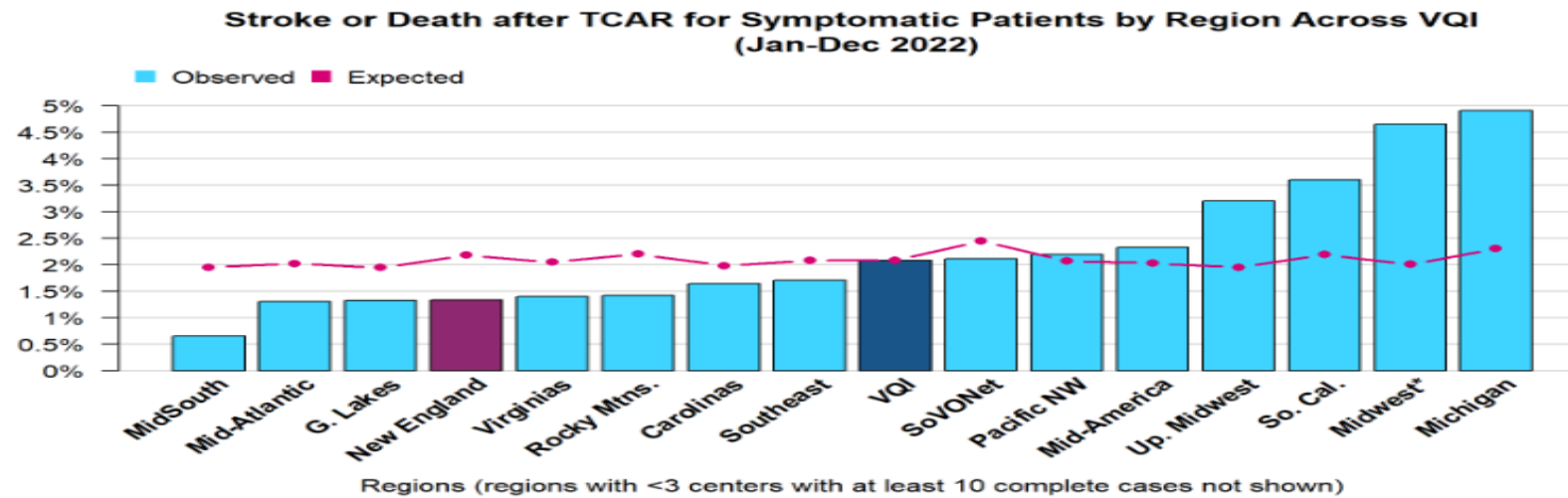


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CEA ASYMP: Stroke/Death

Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

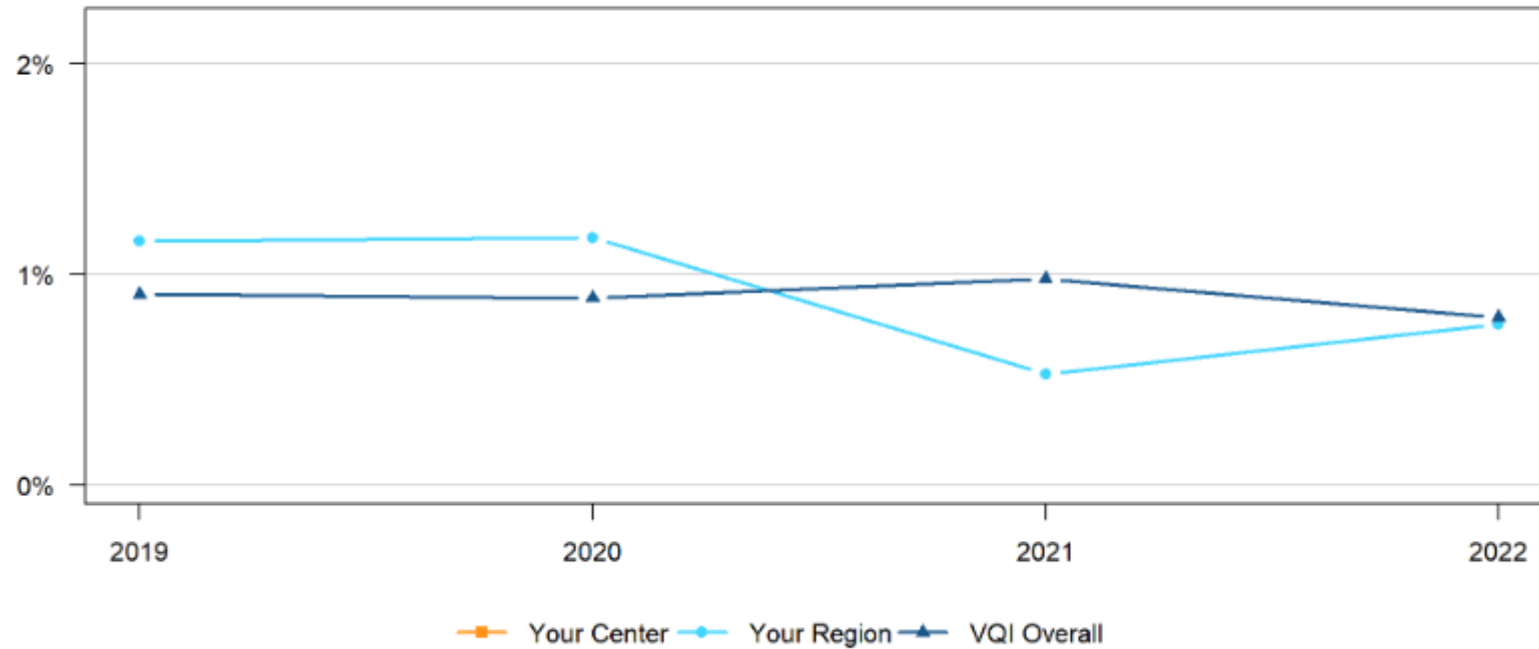
Includes Carotid Endarterectomy (CEA) procedures performed on asymptomatic patients. Asymptomatic patients are patients with no ipsilateral retinal or cortical TIA or stroke within 180 days prior to surgery. Excludes any patient with prior vertebrobasilar or non-specific TIA or stroke, prior ipsilateral CEA or CAS, or any procedure with a concomitant CABG, proximal endovascular, distal endovascular, or “Other” arterial procedure.

The table below gives the number of CEA procedures (performed on asymptomatic patients) meeting the inclusion criteria, and the observed and expected rates of in-hospital stroke or death for those cases.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of CEA procedures meeting inclusion criteria		787	10414
Observed rate of stroke or death among procedures meeting inclusion criteria		0.8%	0.8%
Number of procedures with complete data*		734	9733
Observed rate of stroke or death among cases with complete data		0.8%	0.8%
Expected rate of stroke or death among cases with complete data		0.8%	NA
P-value for comparison of observed and expected rates		0.83	NA

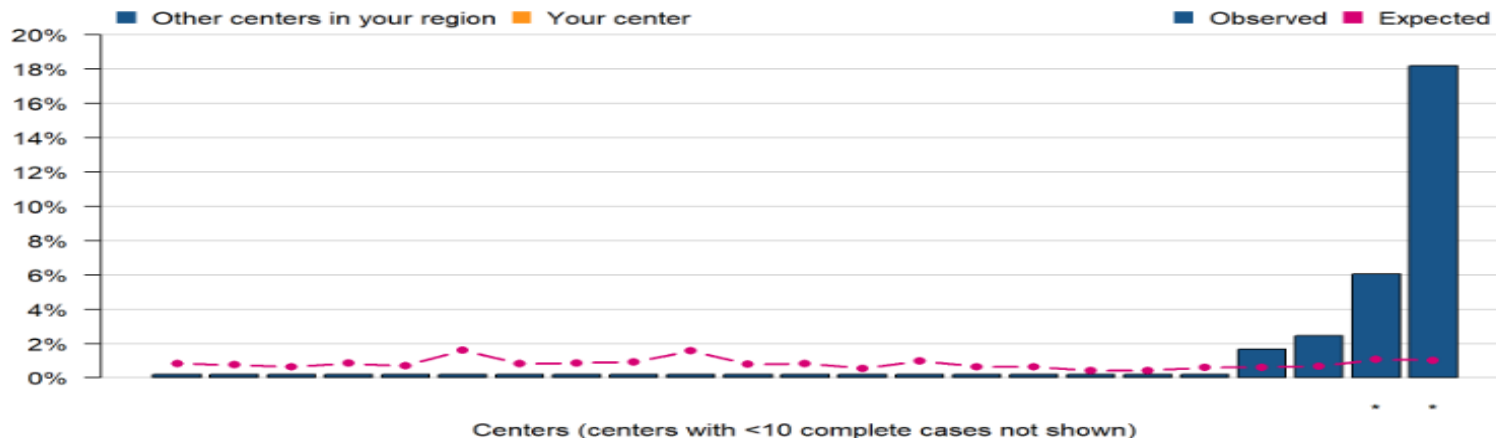
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Stroke or Death after CEA for Asymptomatic Patients by Year



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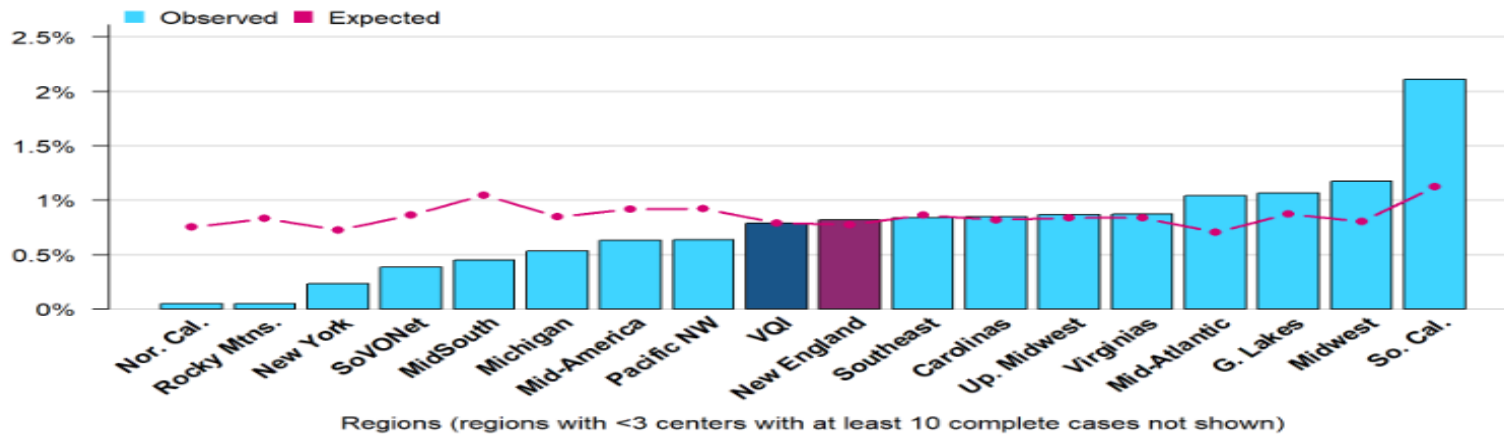
Stroke or Death after CEA for Asymptomatic Patients in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Stroke or Death after CEA for Asymptomatic Patients by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



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CEA ASYMP: Postop LOS>1 Day

Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

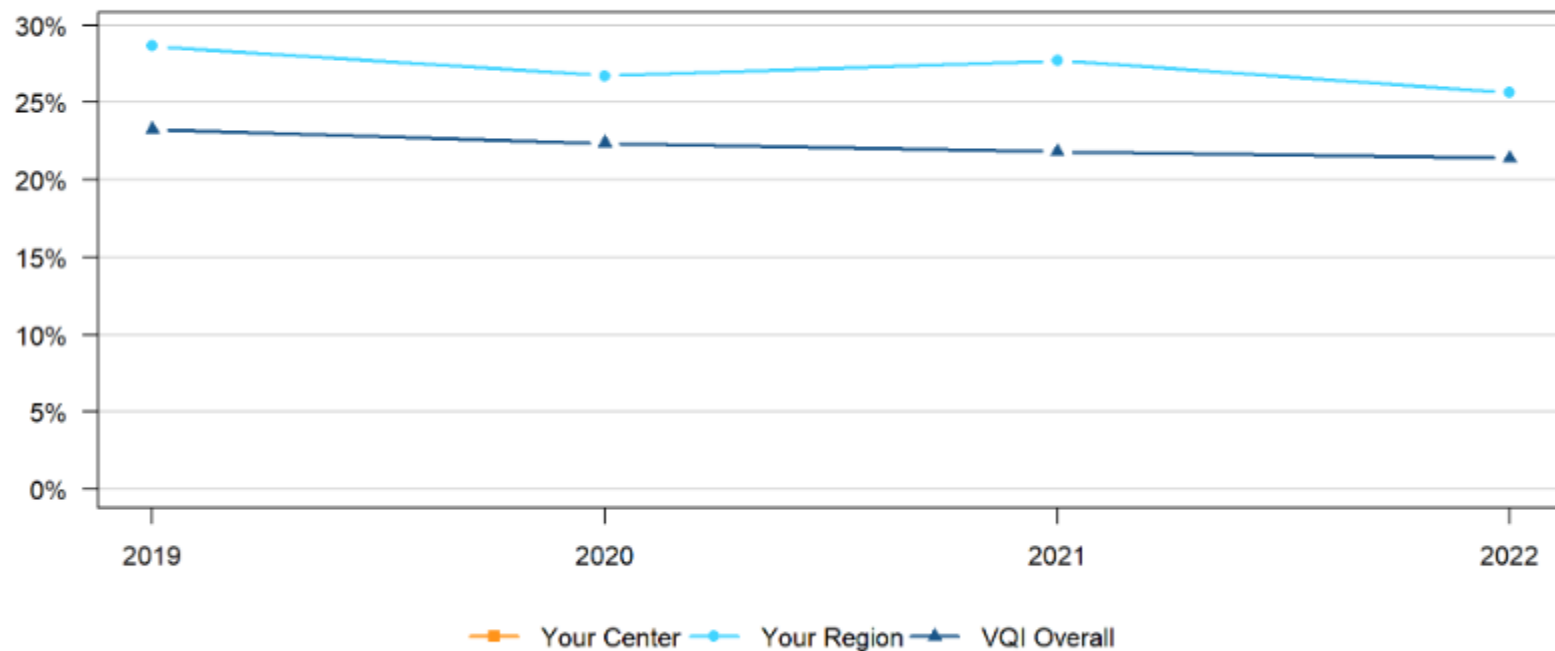
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The table below gives the number of CEA procedures (performed on asymptomatic patients) meeting the inclusion criteria, and the observed and expected rates of postoperative LOS>1 Day for those cases.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of CEA procedures meeting inclusion criteria		788	10381
Observed rate of LOS>1 day among procedures meeting inclusion criteria		25.6%	21.4%
Number of procedures with complete data*		734	9702
Observed rate of LOS>1 day among cases with complete data		25.5%	21.2%
Expected rate of LOS>1 day among cases with complete data		20.1%	NA
P-value for comparison of observed and expected rates		0	NA

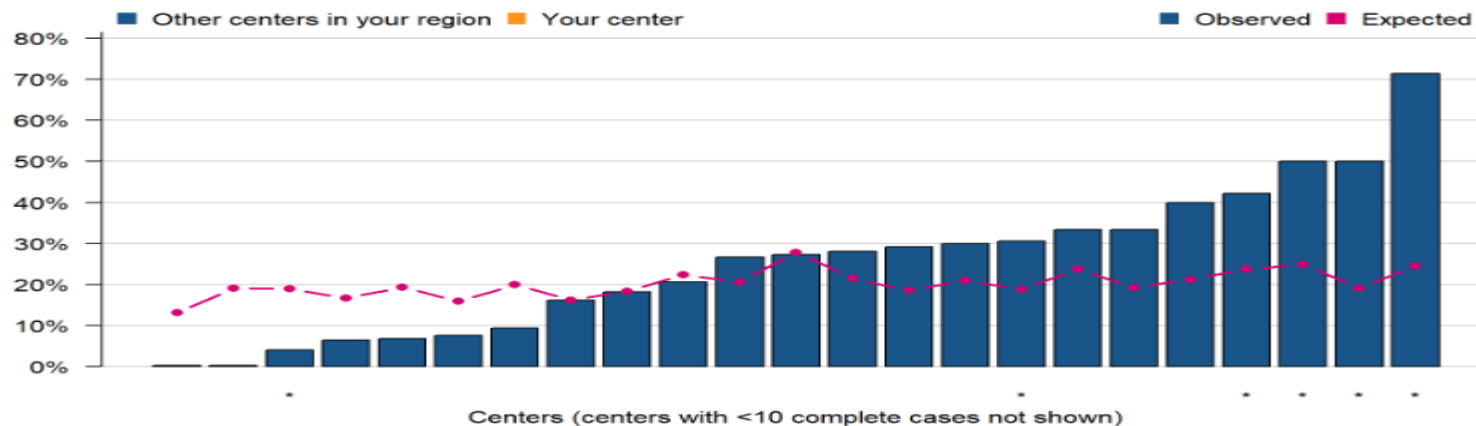
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Postop LOS>1 Day after CEA for Asymptomatic Patients by Year



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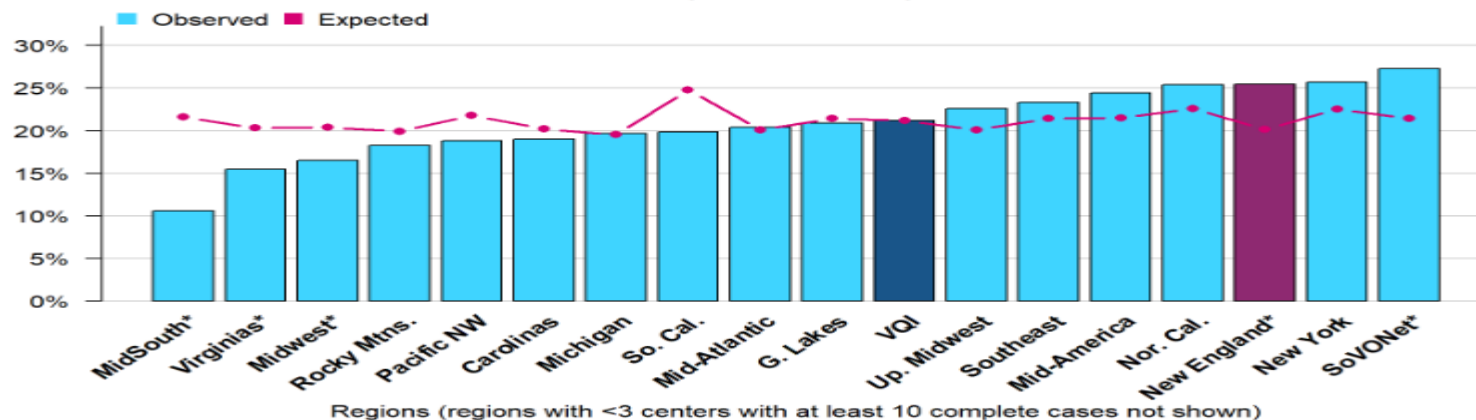
Postop LOS>1 Day after CEA for Asymptomatic Patients in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Postop LOS>1 Day after CEA for Asymptomatic Patients by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



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CEA SYMP: Stroke/Death

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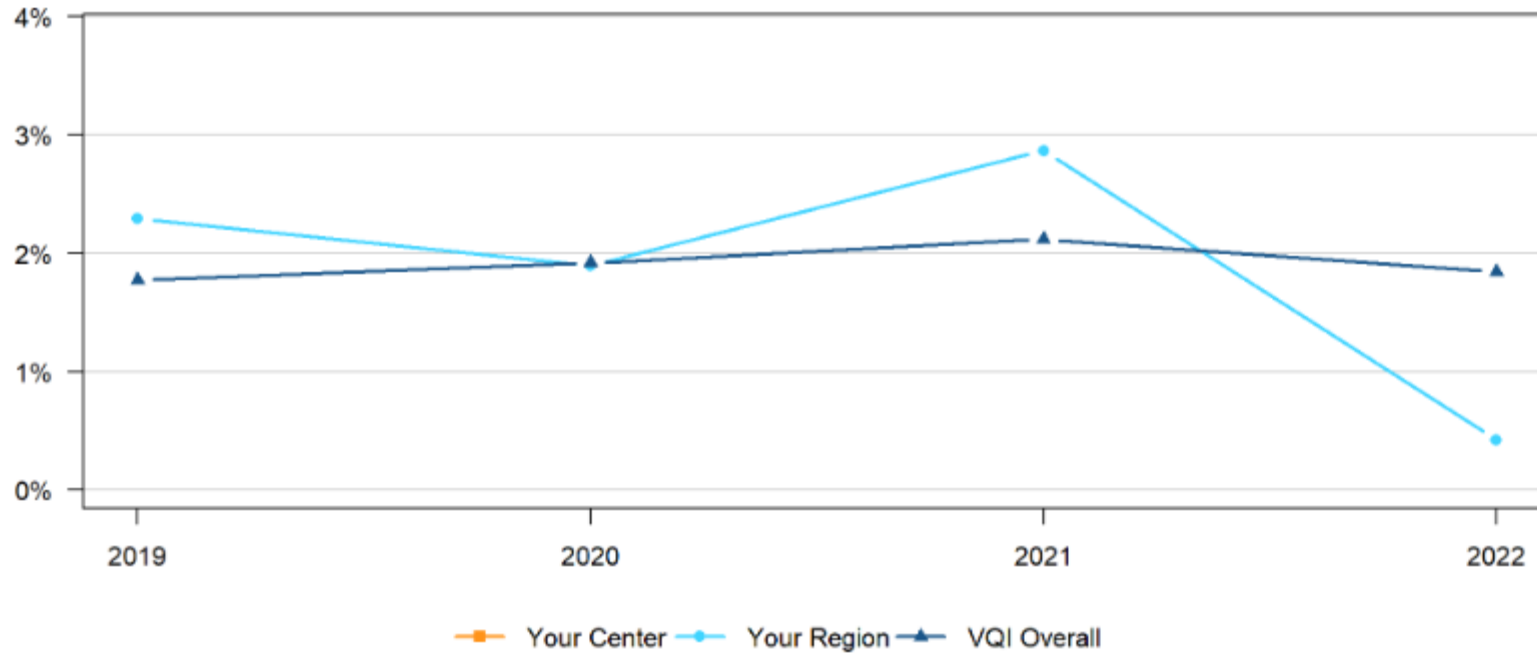
Includes Carotid Endarterectomy (CEA) procedures performed on symptomatic patients. Symptomatic patients are patients with an ipsilateral retinal or cortical TIA or stroke within 180 days prior to surgery. Excludes any patient with prior vertebrobasilar or non-specific TIA or stroke, prior ipsilateral CEA or CAS, or any procedure with a concomitant CABG, proximal endovascular, distal endovascular, or “Other” arterial procedure.

The table below gives the number of CEA procedures (performed on symptomatic patients) meeting the inclusion criteria, and the observed and expected rates of in-hospital stroke or death for those cases.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of CEA procedures meeting inclusion criteria		473	5043
Observed rate of stroke or death among procedures meeting inclusion criteria		0.4%	1.8%
Number of procedures with complete data*		448	4830
Observed rate of stroke or death among cases with complete data		0.4%	1.8%
Expected rate of stroke or death among cases with complete data		1.6%	NA
P-value for comparison of observed and expected rates		0.05	NA

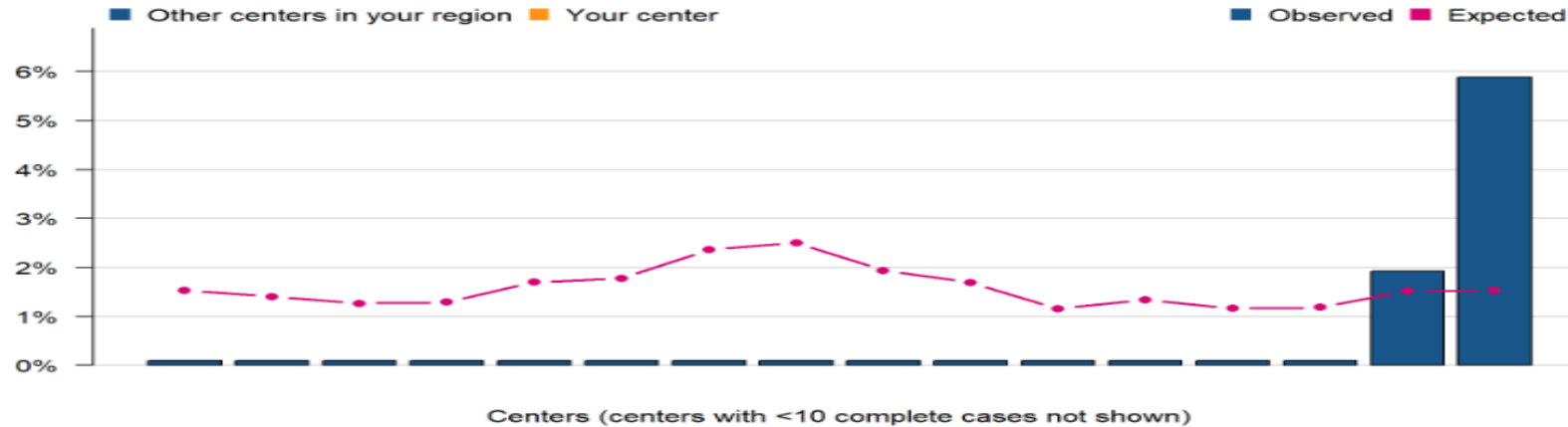
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Stroke or Death after CEA for Symptomatic Patients by Year



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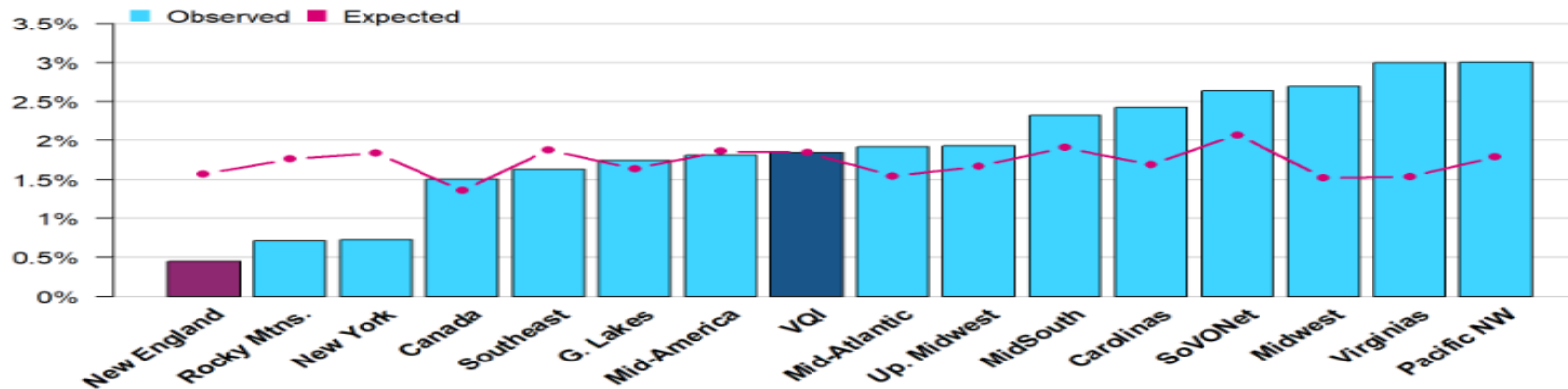
Stroke or Death after CEA for Symptomatic Patients in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Stroke or Death after CEA for Symptomatic Patients by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



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CEA SYMP: Postop LOS>1 Day

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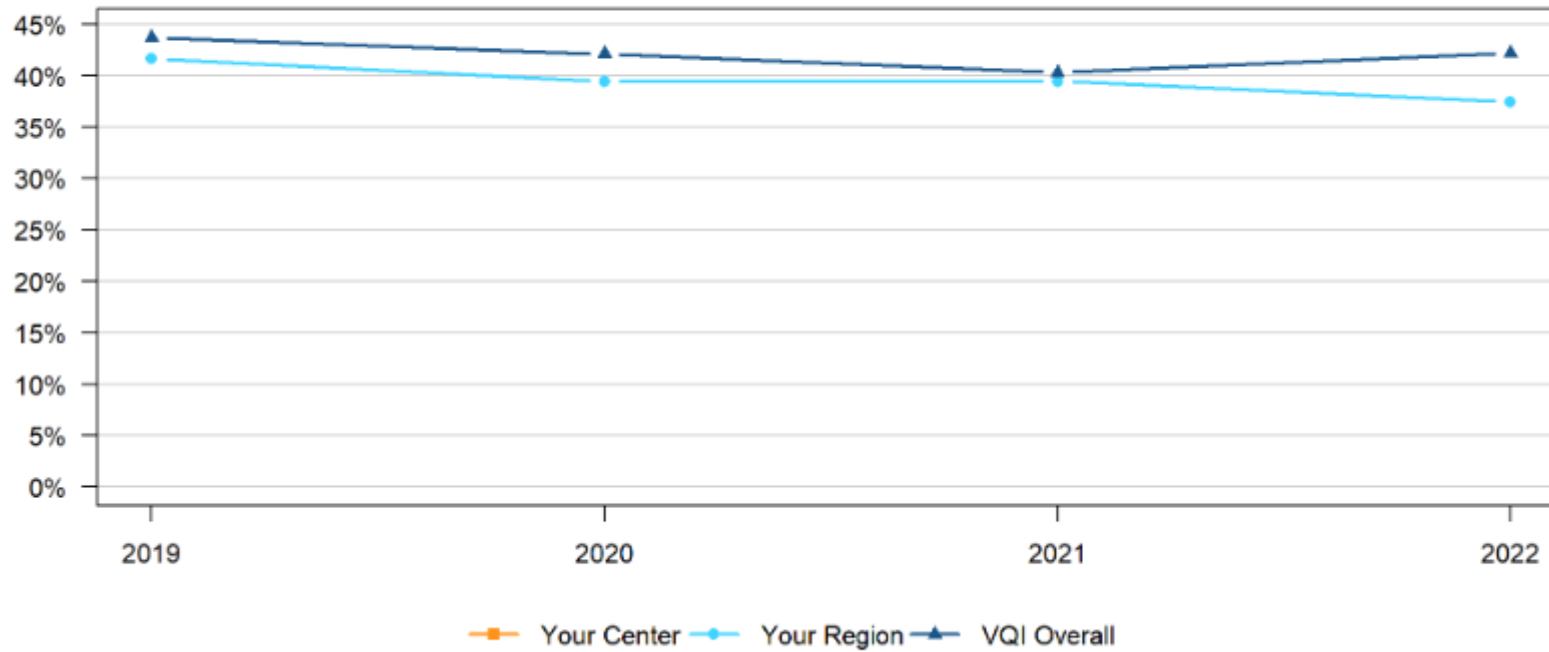
Includes Carotid Endarterectomy (CEA) procedures performed on symptomatic patients. Symptomatic patients are patients with an ipsilateral retinal or cortical TIA or stroke within 180 days prior to surgery. Excludes any patient with prior vertebrobasilar or non-specific TIA or stroke, prior ipsilateral CEA or CAS, or any procedure with a concomitant CABG, proximal endovascular, distal endovascular, or “Other” arterial procedure. Procedures where in-hospital death occurred with postoperative LOS≤1 day, or procedures with an unrelated return to the OR, are also excluded. Postoperative LOS is based on the midnight rule used for hospital billing.

The table below gives the number of CEA procedures (performed on symptomatic patients) meeting the inclusion criteria, and the observed and expected rates of postoperative LOS>1 Day for those cases.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of CEA procedures meeting inclusion criteria		473	5018
Observed rate of LOS>1 day among procedures meeting inclusion criteria		37.4%	42.2%
Number of procedures with complete data*		448	4804
Observed rate of LOS>1 day among cases with complete data		37.3%	41.9%
Expected rate of LOS>1 day among cases with complete data		39.9%	NA
P-value for comparison of observed and expected rates		0.27	NA

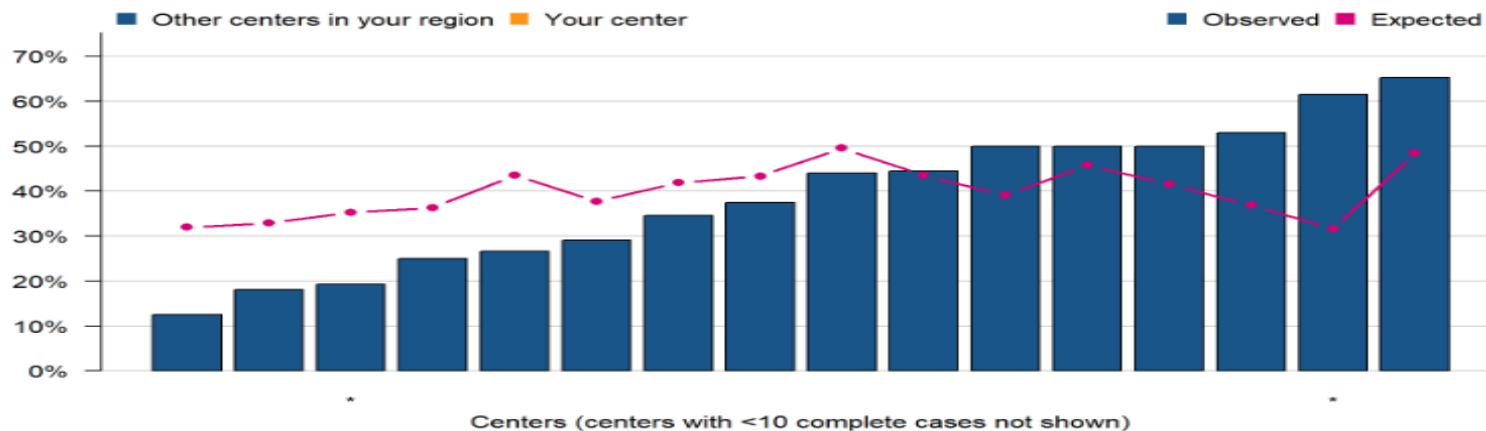
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Postop LOS>1 Day after CEA for Symptomatic Patients by Year



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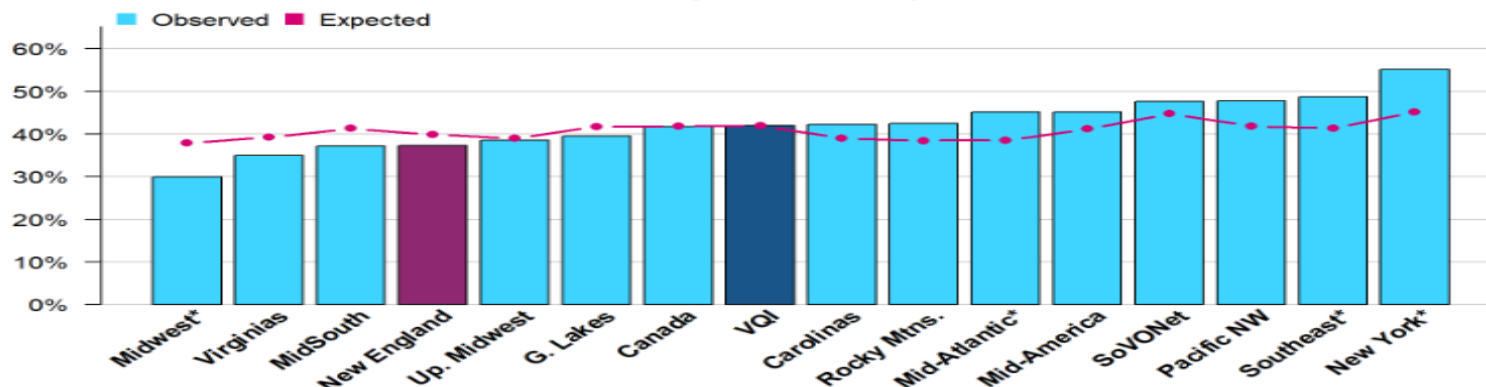
Postop LOS>1 Day after CEA for Symptomatic Patients in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Postop LOS>1 Day after CEA for Symptomatic Patients by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



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EVAR: Postop LOS>2 Days

Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

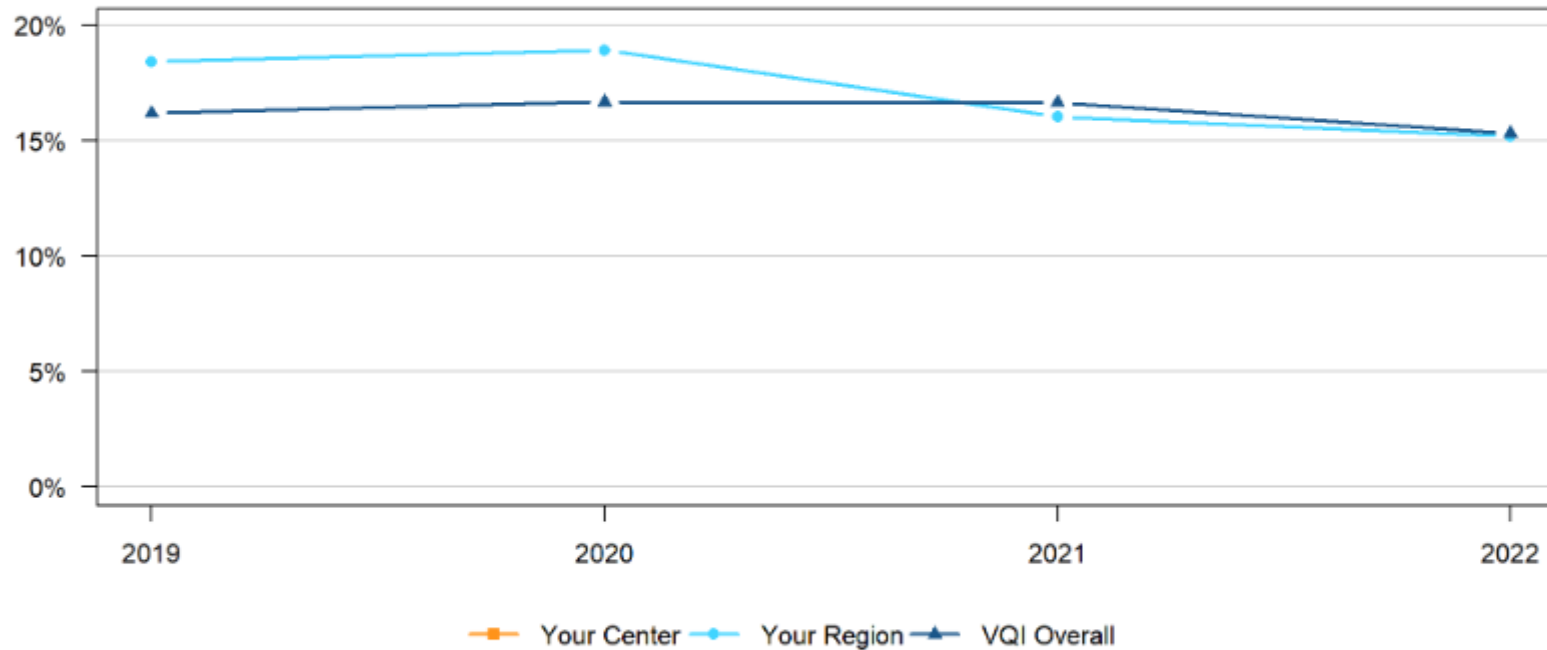
Includes Endovascular AAA Repair (EVAR) procedures. Excludes any procedure with ruptured aneurysm. Procedures where in-hospital death occurred with postoperative LOS≤2 days are also excluded. Postoperative LOS is based on the midnight rule used for hospital billing.

The table below gives the number of EVAR procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the observed and expected rates of postoperative LOS>2 Days for those cases.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of EVAR procedures meeting inclusion criteria		494	7210
Observed rate of LOS>2 days among procedures meeting inclusion criteria		15.2%	15.3%
Number of procedures with complete data*		461	6619
Observed rate of LOS>2 days among cases with complete data		13.9%	15.1%
Expected rate of LOS>2 days among cases with complete data		15.3%	NA
P-value for comparison of observed and expected rates		0.44	NA

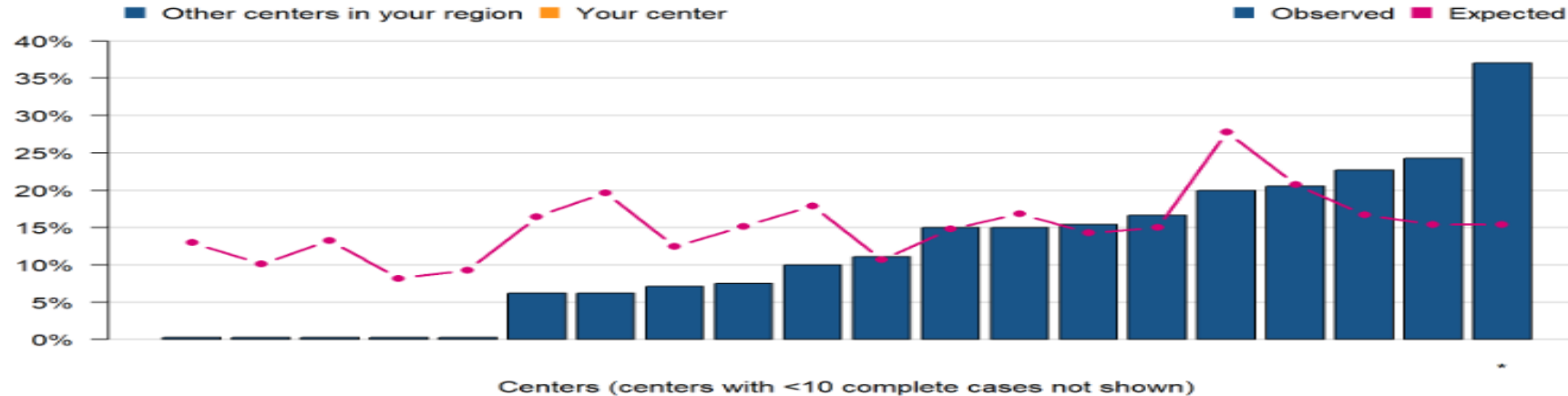
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Postop LOS>2 Days after EVAR by Year



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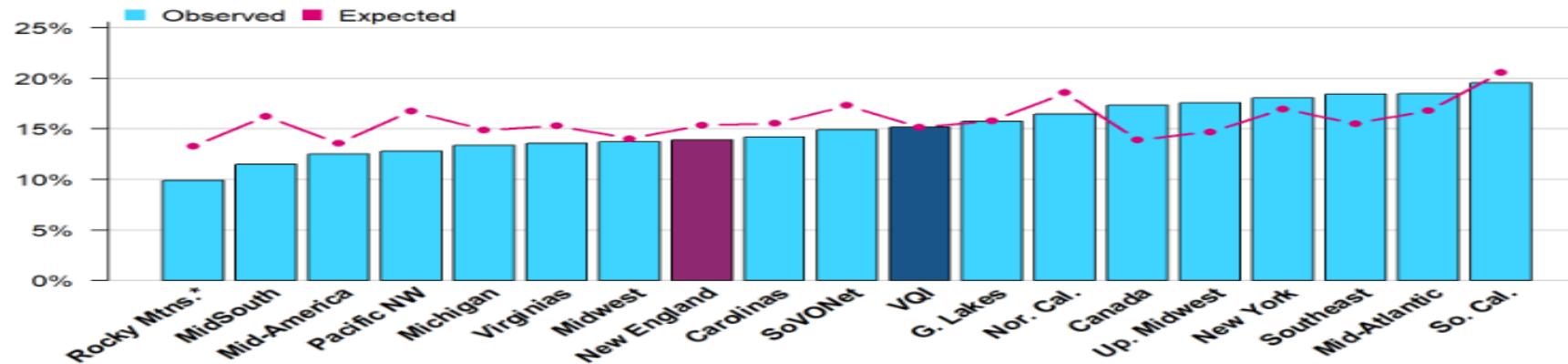
Postop LOS>2 Days after EVAR in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Postop LOS>2 Days after EVAR by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



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EVAR: Sac Diameter Reporting

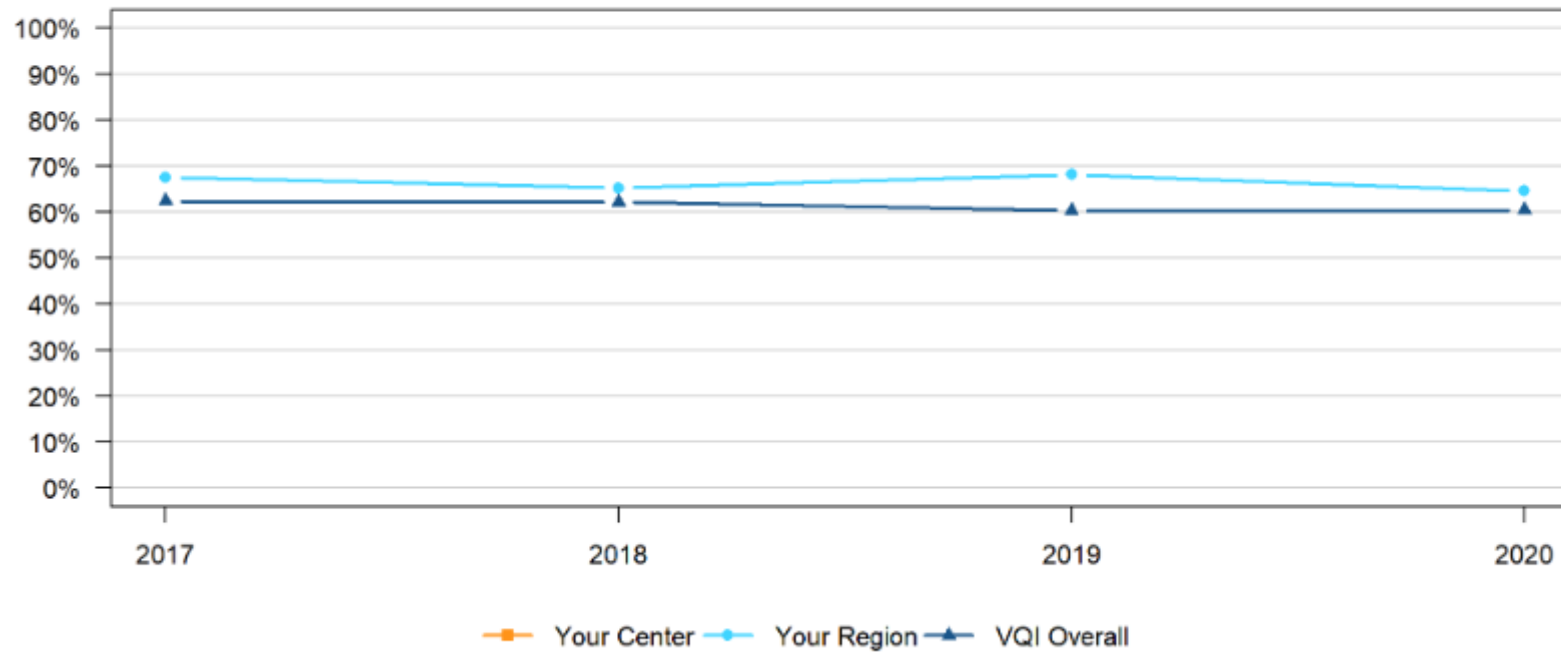
Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2020

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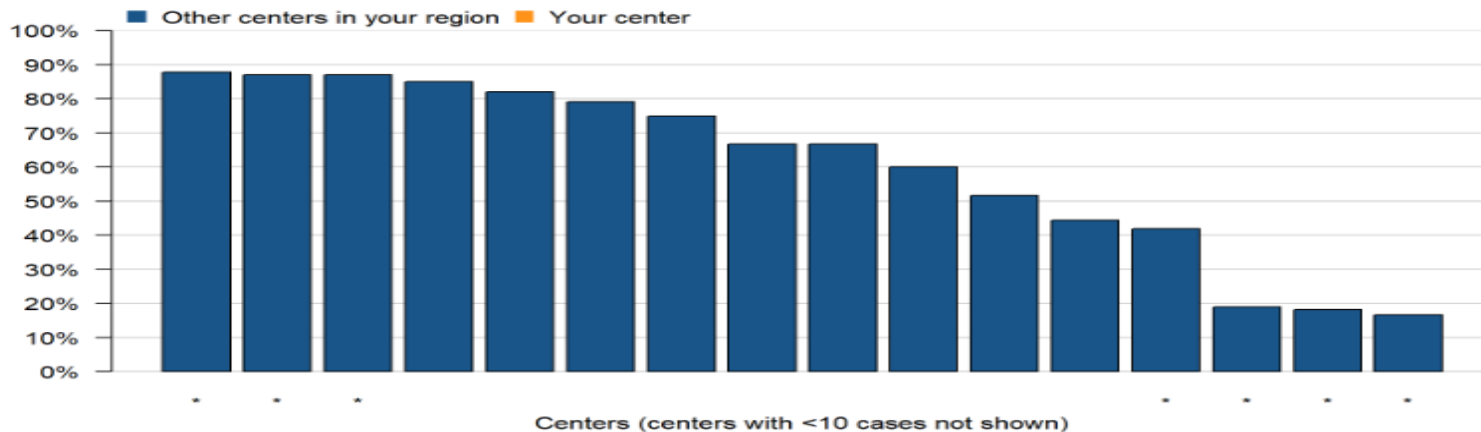
The table below gives the number of EVAR procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures where a sac diameter was reported between 9 and 21 months post-procedure.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of EVAR procedures meeting inclusion criteria		429	6360
Percentage with sac diameter reported between 9 and 21 months post-procedure		64.6%	60.5%

EVAR Sac Diameter Reporting by Year



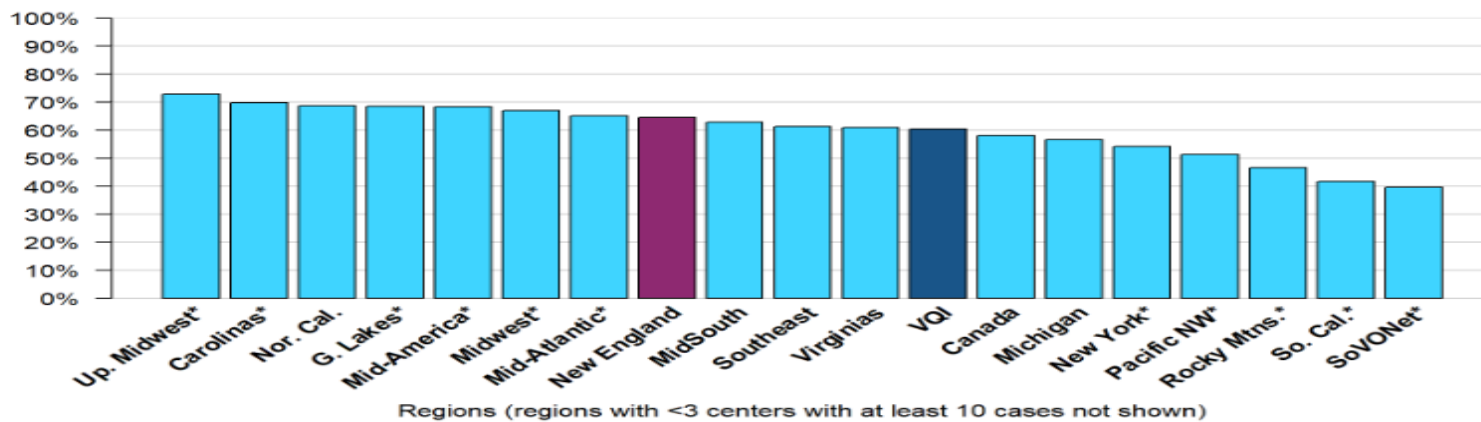
EVAR Sac Diameter Reporting in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2020)



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EVAR Sac Diameter Reporting by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2020)



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EVAR: SVS AAA Diameter Guideline

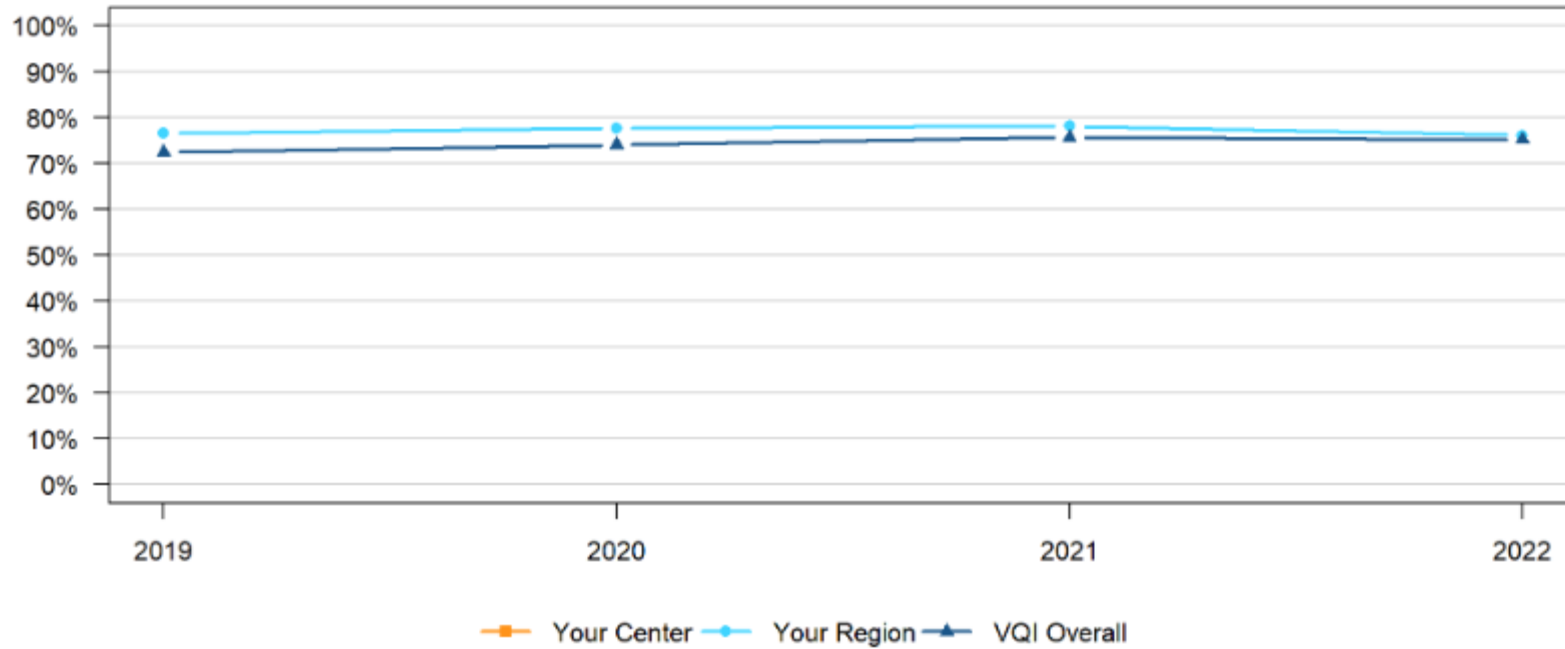
Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

Includes Endovascular AAA Repair (EVAR) procedures. Excludes any non-elective procedure. SVS AAA diameter guideline is ≥ 5 cm for Women and ≥ 5.5 cm for men. If the patient has any iliac aneurysm, the guideline is considered met regardless of AAA diameter.

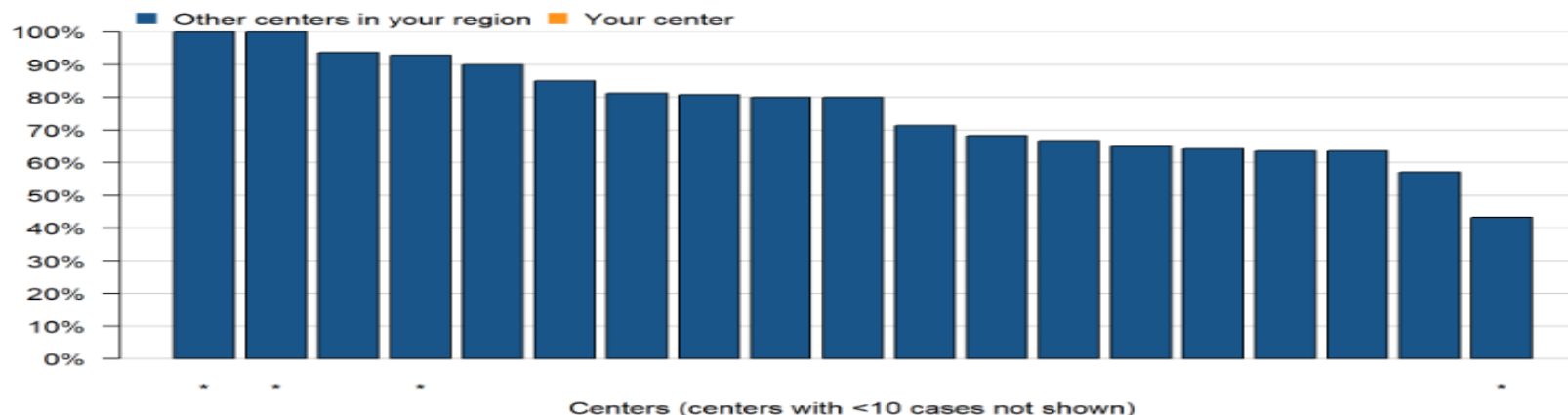
The table below gives the number of EVAR procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures meeting the SVS AAA diameter guideline.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of EVAR procedures meeting inclusion criteria		448	6400
Percentage meeting SVS AAA diameter guideline		76.1%	75.2%

EVAR SVS AAA Diameter Guideline by Year

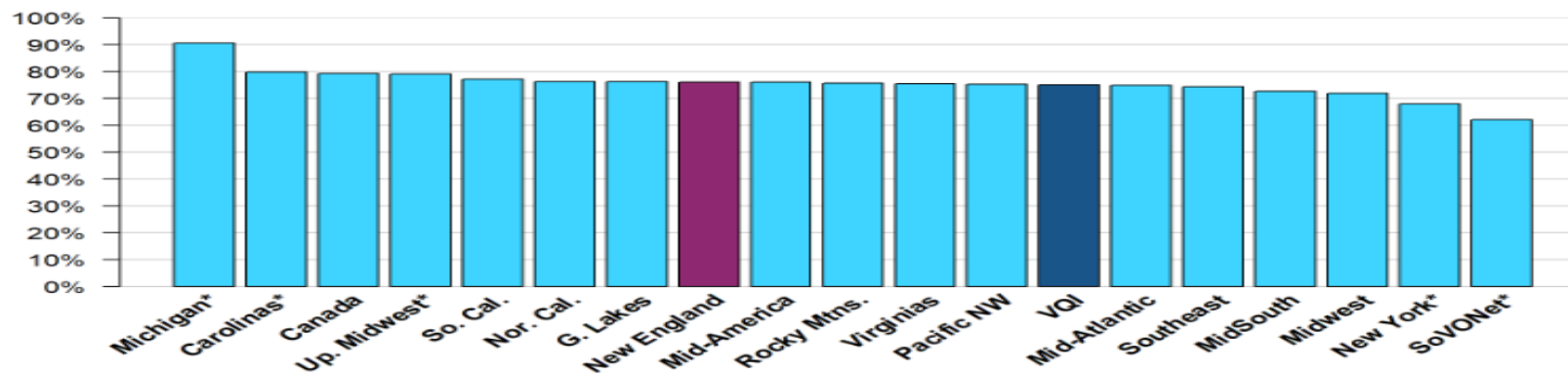


EVAR SVS AAA Diameter Guideline in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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EVAR SVS AAA Diameter Guideline by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



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TEVAR: Sac Diameter Reporting

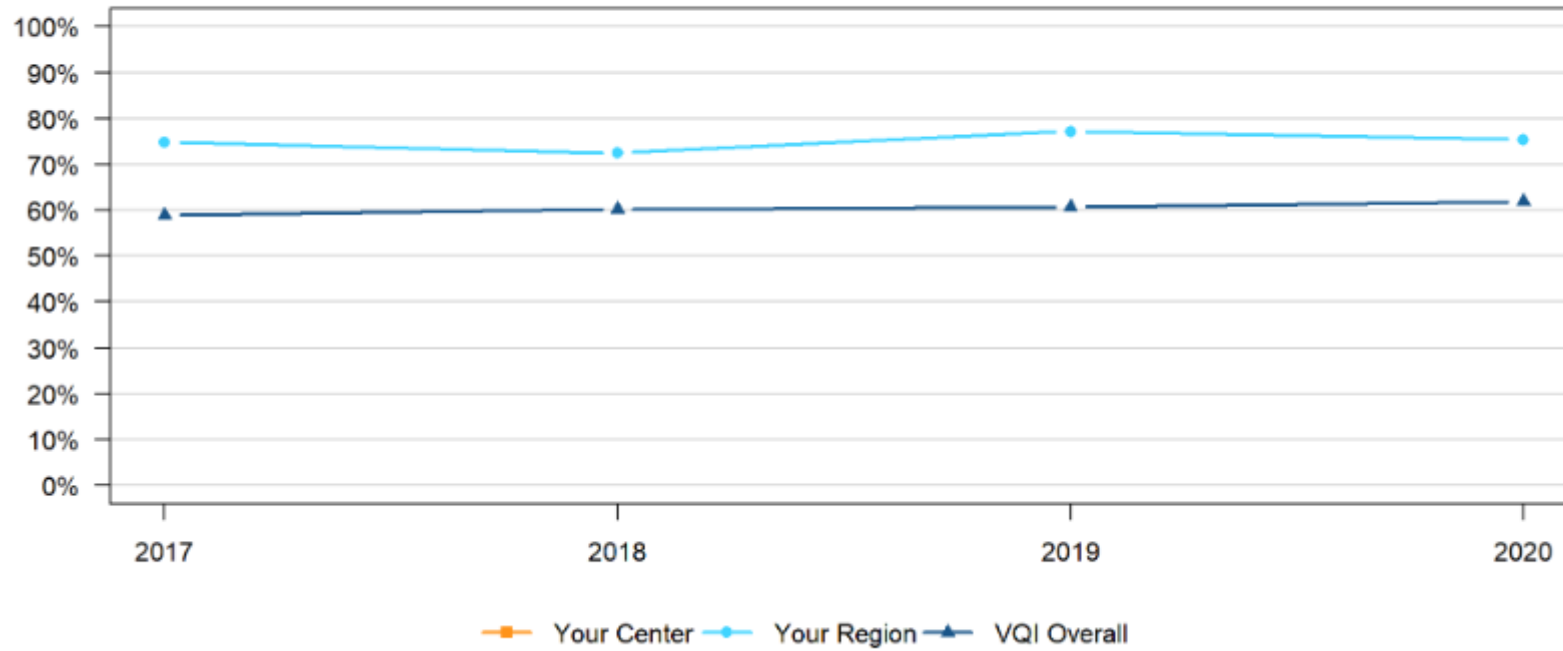
Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2020

Includes Thoracic Endovascular Aortic Repair (TEVAR) procedures for aneurysm or aneurysm from dissection.
 Excludes procedures where no aortic device was implanted or patients who were converted to open or died within 21 months of surgery.

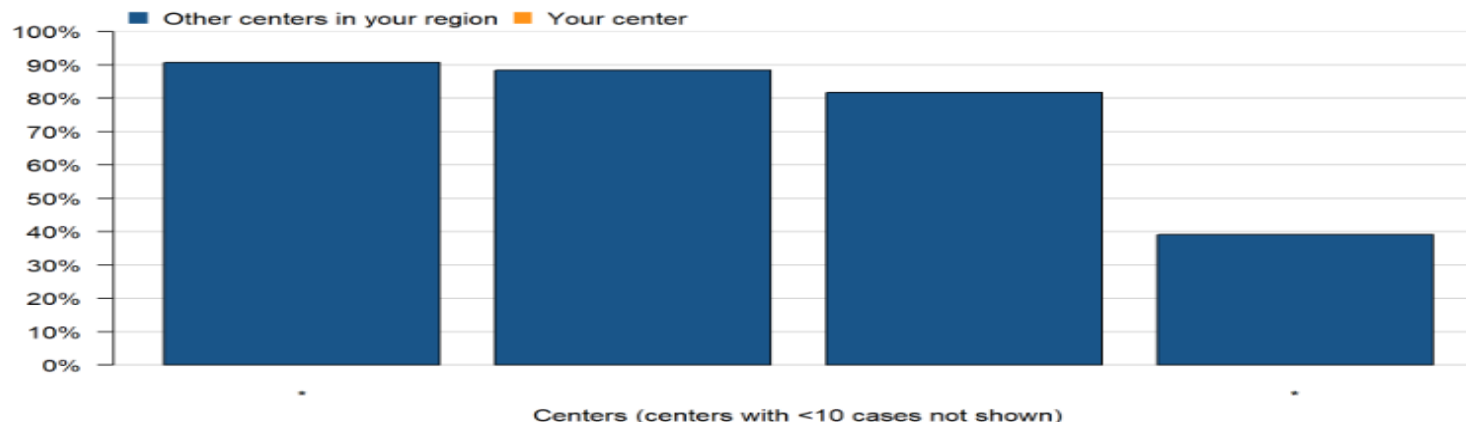
The table below gives the number of TEVAR procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures where a sac diameter was reported between 9 and 21 months post-procedure.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of TEVAR procedures meeting inclusion criteria		138	1427
Percentage with sac diameter reported between 9 and 21 months post-procedure		75.4%	61.9%

TEVAR Sac Diameter Reporting by Year



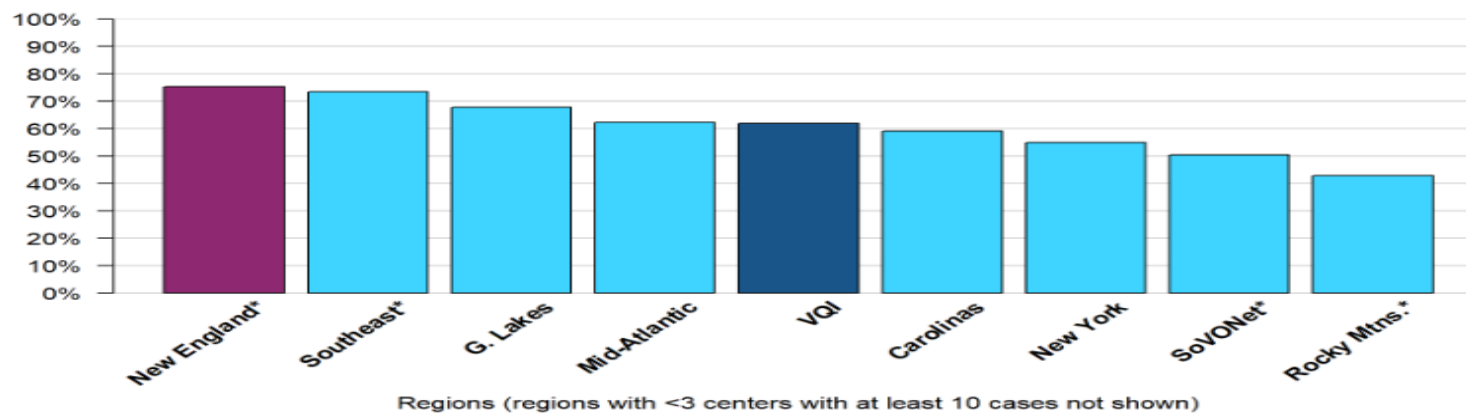
TEVAR Sac Diameter Reporting in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2020)



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TEVAR Sac Diameter Reporting by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2020)



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OAAA: In-Hospital Mortality

Procedures performed between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2022

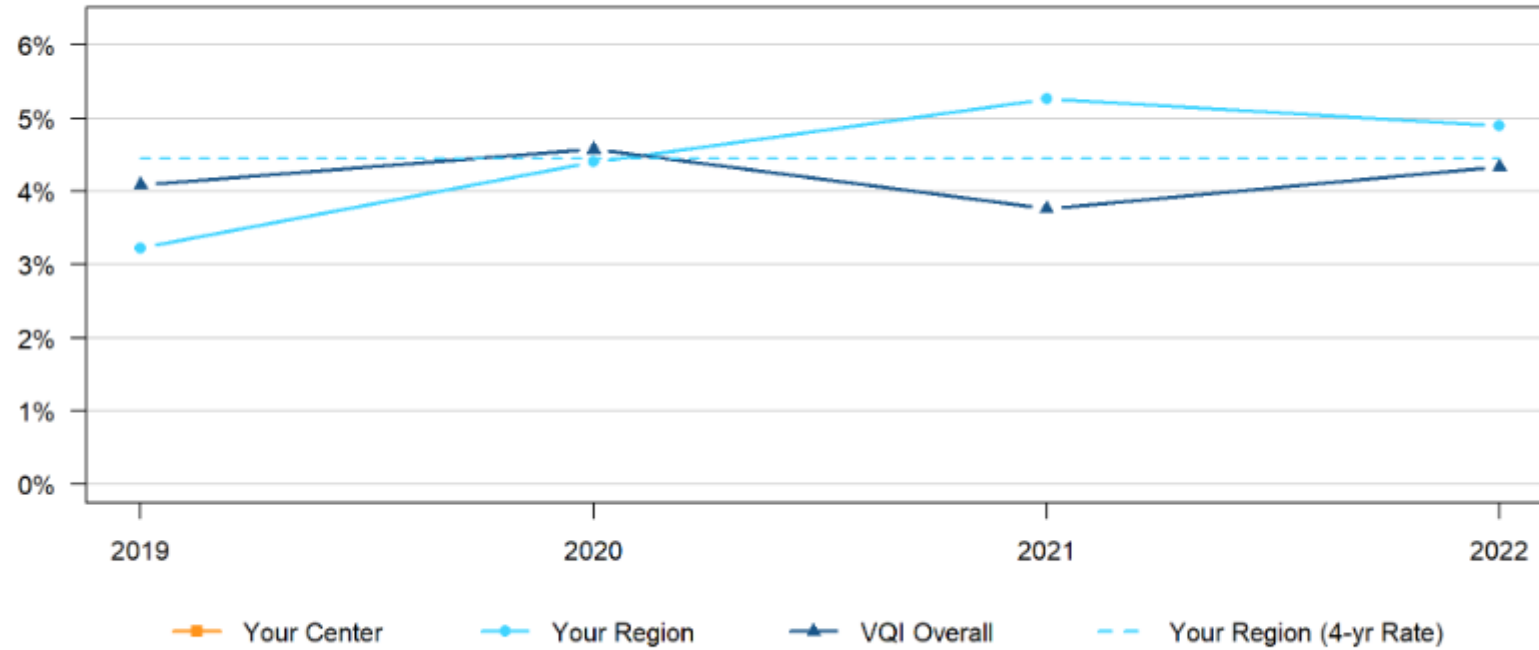
Includes Open AAA (OAAA) procedures. Excludes any patient with a ruptured aneurysm.

The table below gives the number of OAAA procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the observed and expected rates of in-hospital death for those cases.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of OAAA procedures meeting inclusion criteria		719	4664
Observed rate of In-Hospital Mortality among procedures meeting inclusion criteria		4.5%	4.2%
Number of procedures with complete data*		688	4369
Observed rate of In-Hospital Mortality among cases with complete data		4.2%	4%
Expected rate of In-Hospital Mortality among cases with complete data		3.9%	NA
P-value for comparison of observed and expected rates		0.69	NA

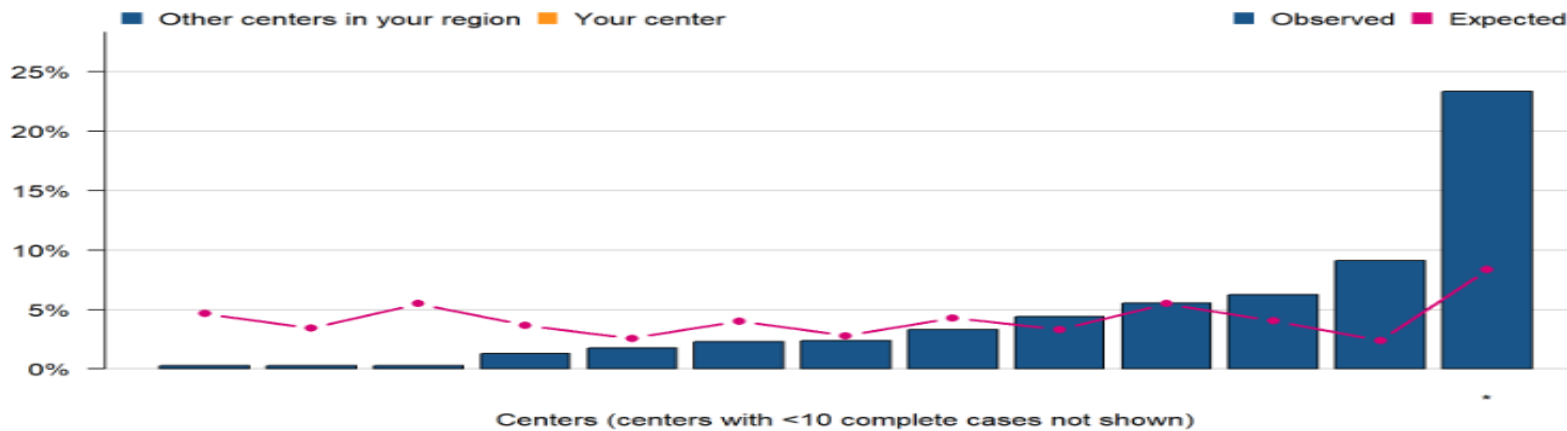
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In-Hospital Death after OAAA by Year



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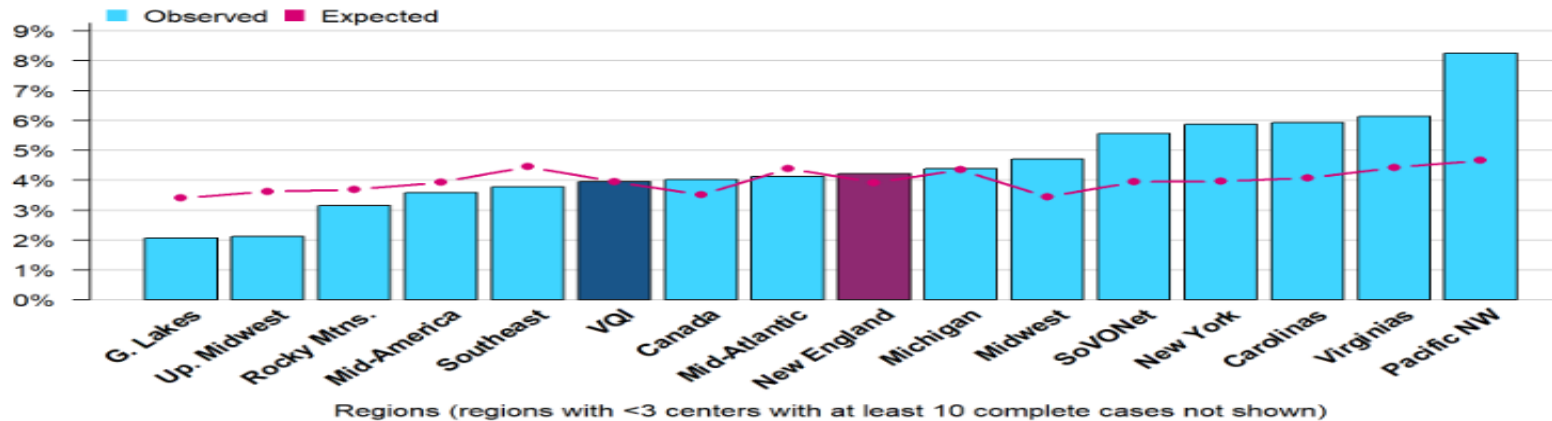
In-Hospital Death after OAAA in Your Region (Jan 2019-Dec 2022)



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In-Hospital Death after OAAA by Region Across VQI (Jan 2019-Dec 2022)



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OAAA: SVS Cell-Saver Guideline

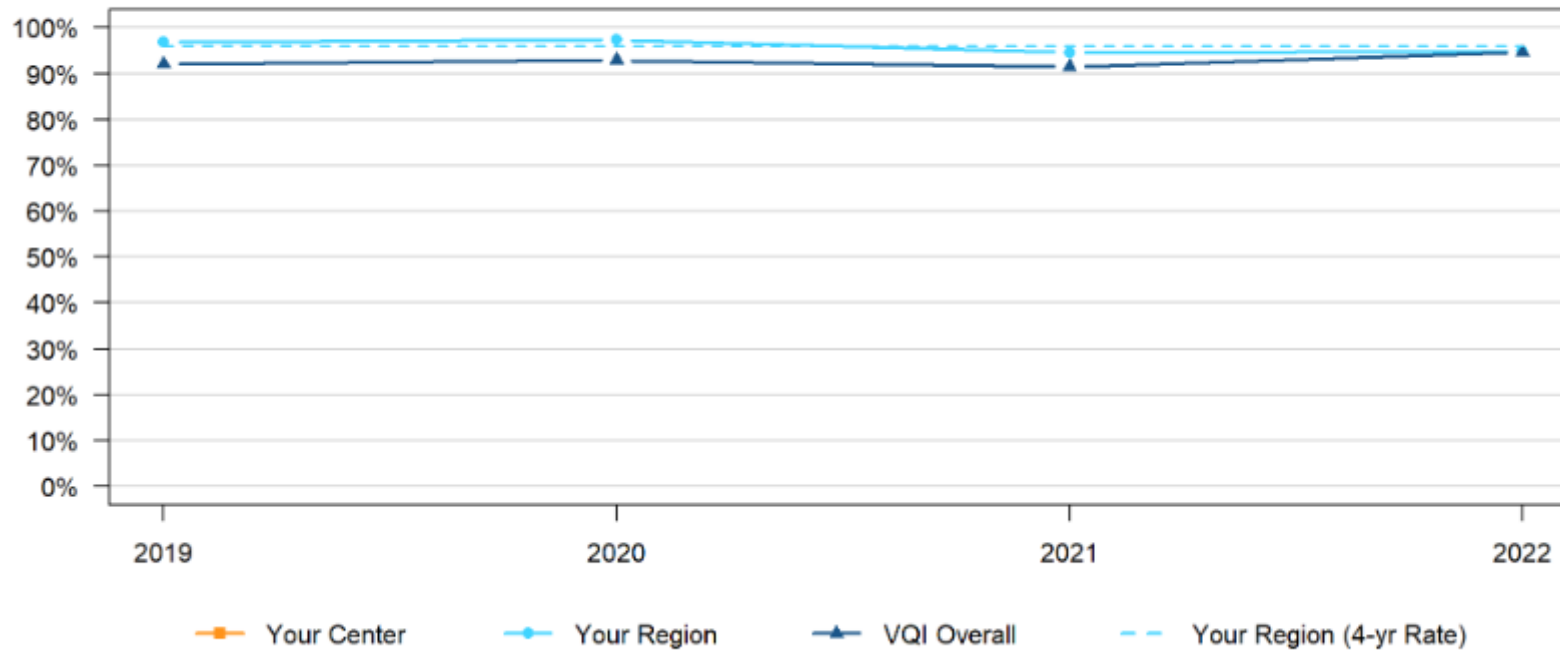
Procedures performed between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2022

Includes Open AAA (OAAA) procedures. Excludes any patient with EBL≤500 ml. SVS cell-saver guideline is met if cell salvage or ultrafiltration device was used.

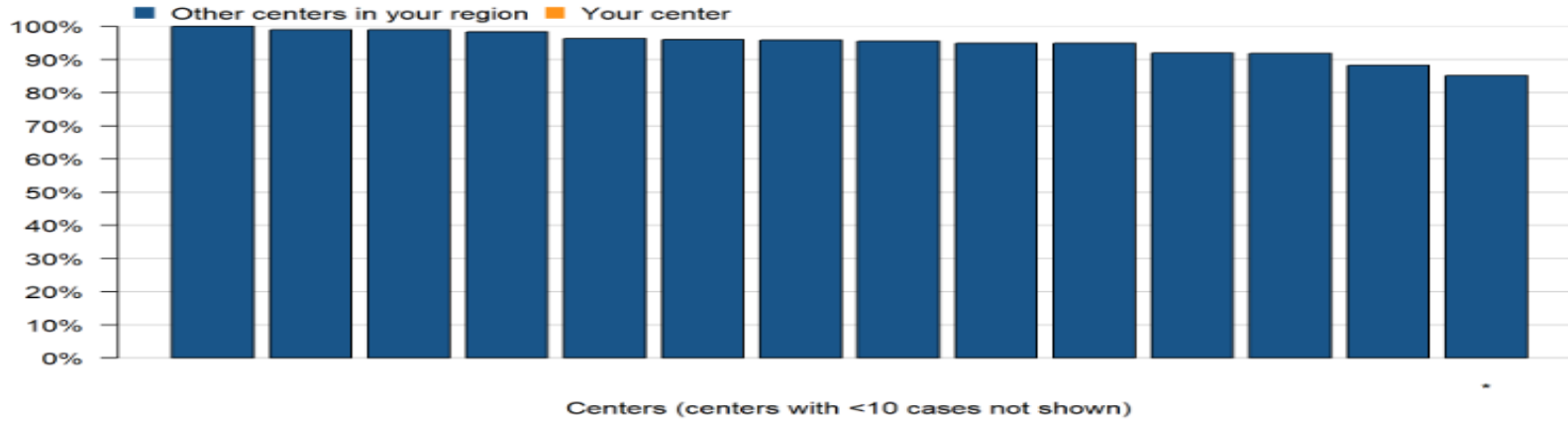
The table below gives the number of OAAA procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures meeting the SVS cell-saver guideline.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of OAAA procedures meeting inclusion criteria		712	4702
Percentage meeting SVS cell-saver guideline		95.9%	92.7%

OAAA Cell-Saver Guideline by Year



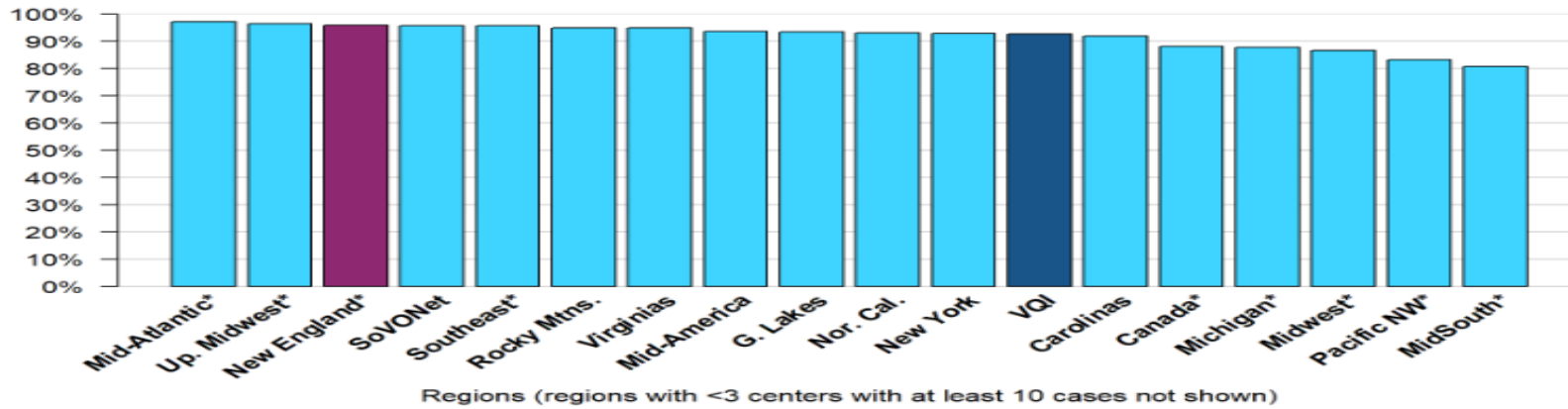
OAAA Cell-Saver Guideline in Your Region (Jan 2019-Dec 2022)



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OAAA Cell-Saver Guideline by Region Across VQI (Jan 2019-Dec 2022)



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OAAA: SVS Iliac Inflow Guideline

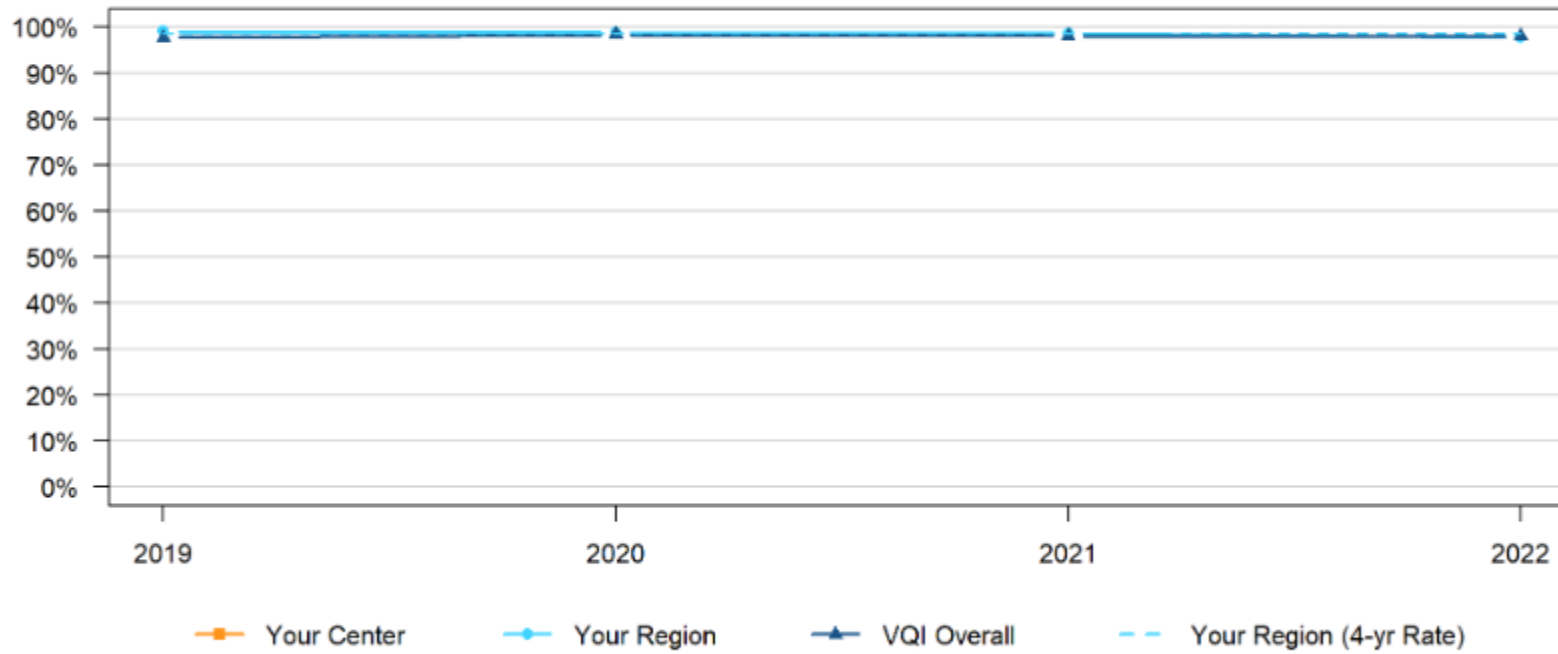
Procedures performed between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2022

Includes Open AAA (OAAA) procedures. SVS iliac inflow guideline is met if preservation of flow was maintained to at least one internal iliac artery.

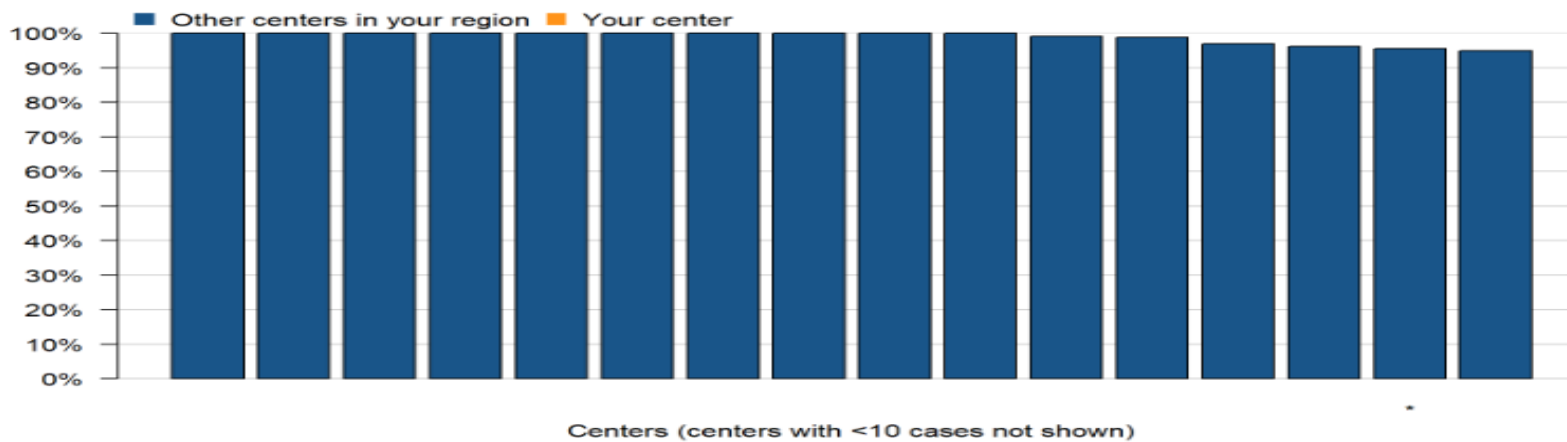
The table below gives the number of OAAA procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures meeting the SVS iliac inflow guideline.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of OAAA procedures meeting inclusion criteria		838	5304
Percentage meeting SVS iliac inflow guideline		98.6%	98.1%

OAAA Iliac Inflow Guideline by Year



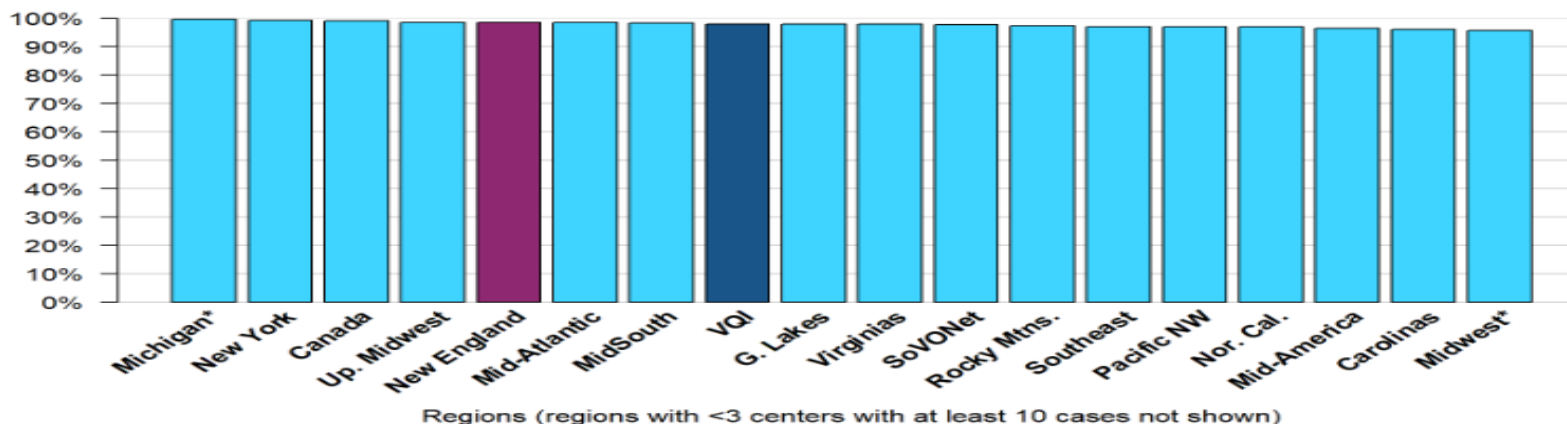
OAAA Iliac Inflow Guideline in Your Region (Jan 2019-Dec 2022)



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OAAA Iliac Inflow Guideline by Region Across VQI (Jan 2019-Dec 2022)



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PVI CLAUD: ABI/Toe Pressure

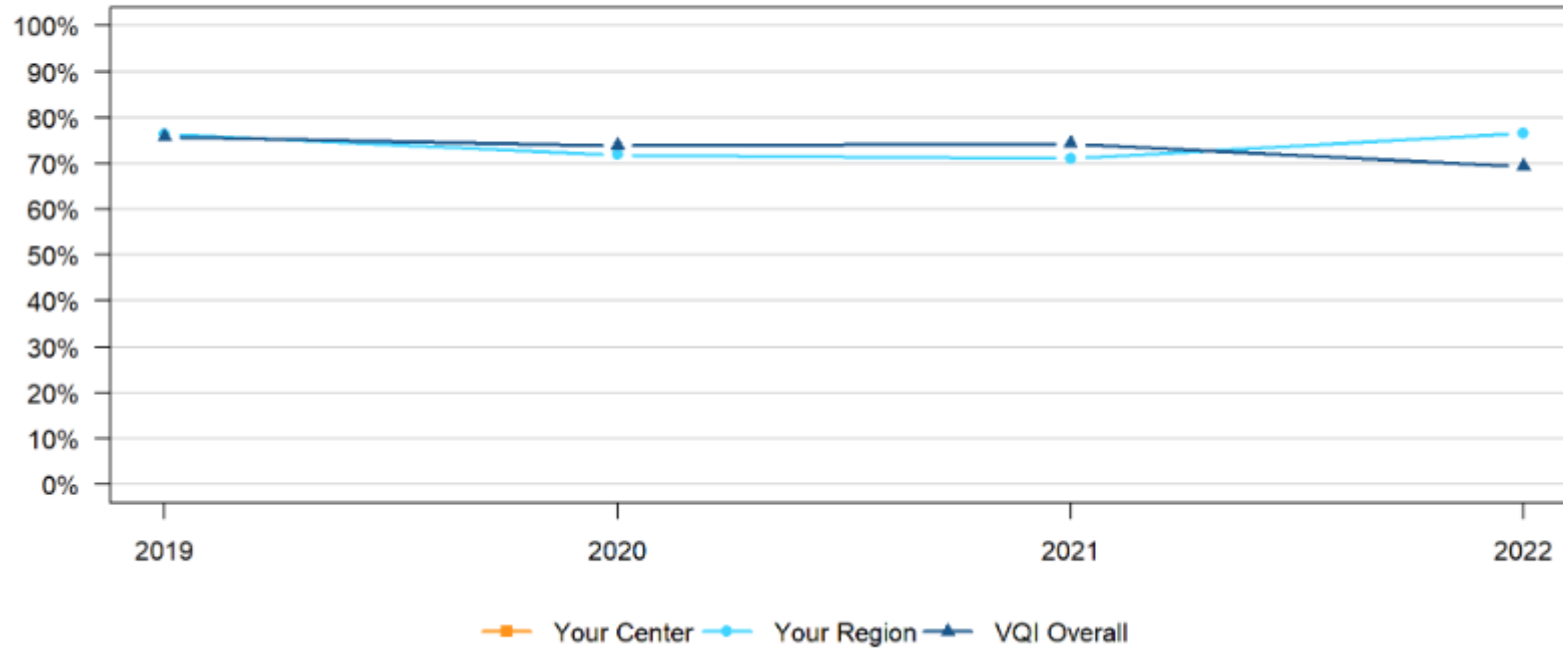
Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

Includes Peripheral Vascular Intervention (PVI) procedures for mild, moderate, or severe claudication. “ABI/Toe Pressure Assessment” indicates at least one ABI or toe pressure assessment was made prior to PVI for the side of the procedure, or on both sides for bilateral and aortic procedures.

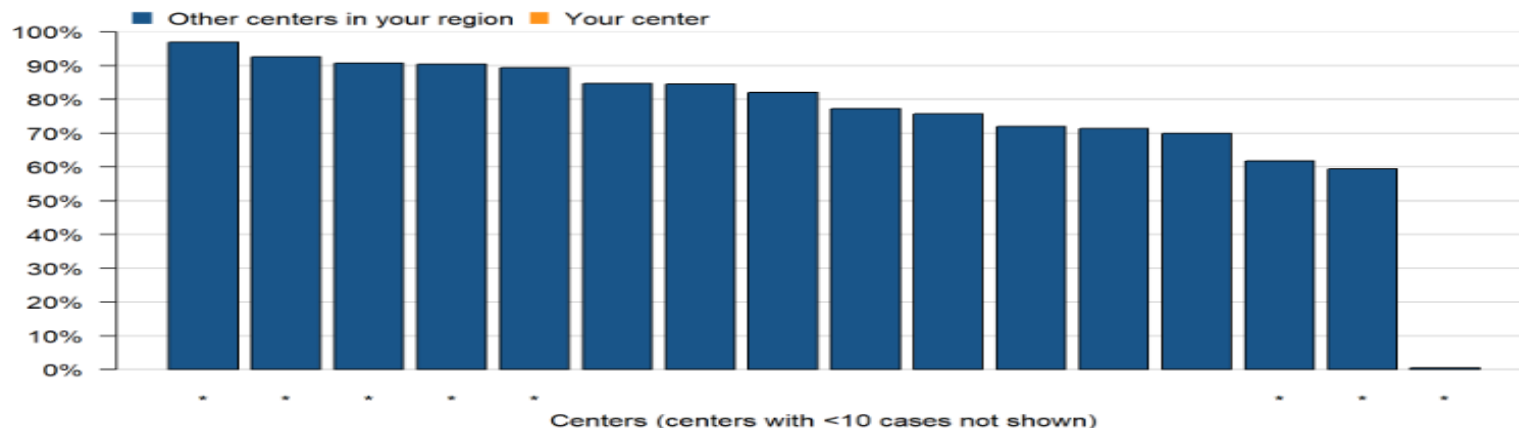
The table below gives the number of PVI procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures in which an ABI or toe pressure was assessed prior to PVI.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of PVI procedures meeting inclusion criteria		1096	16075
Percentage with ABI/toe pressure assessment		76.6%	69.4%

ABI/Toe Pressure Assessment before PVI for Claudication by Year



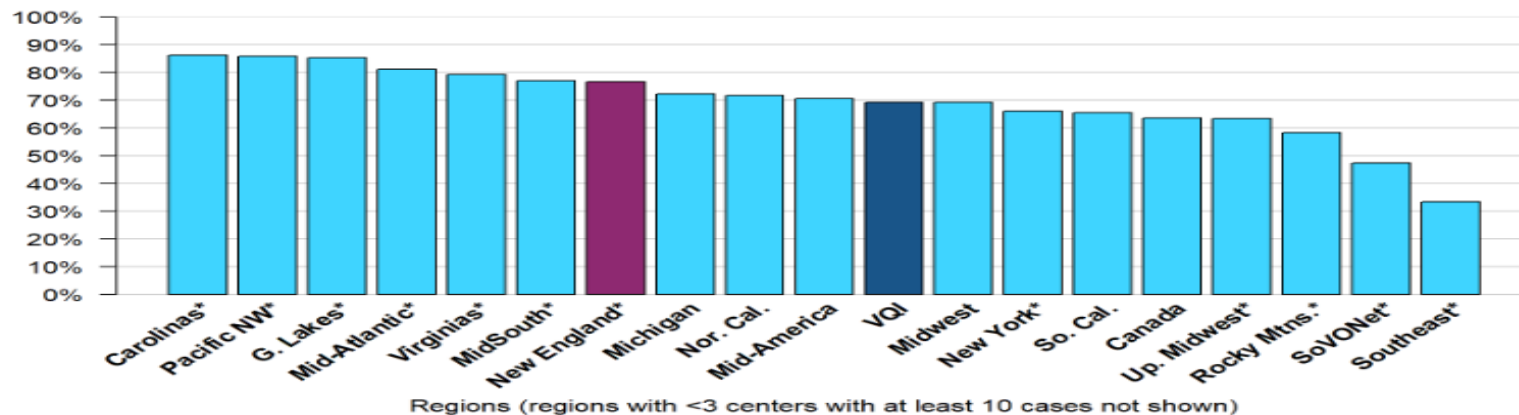
ABI/Toe Pressure Assessment before PVI for Claudication in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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ABI/Toe Pressure Assessment before PVI for Claudication by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



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INFRA CLTI: Major Complications

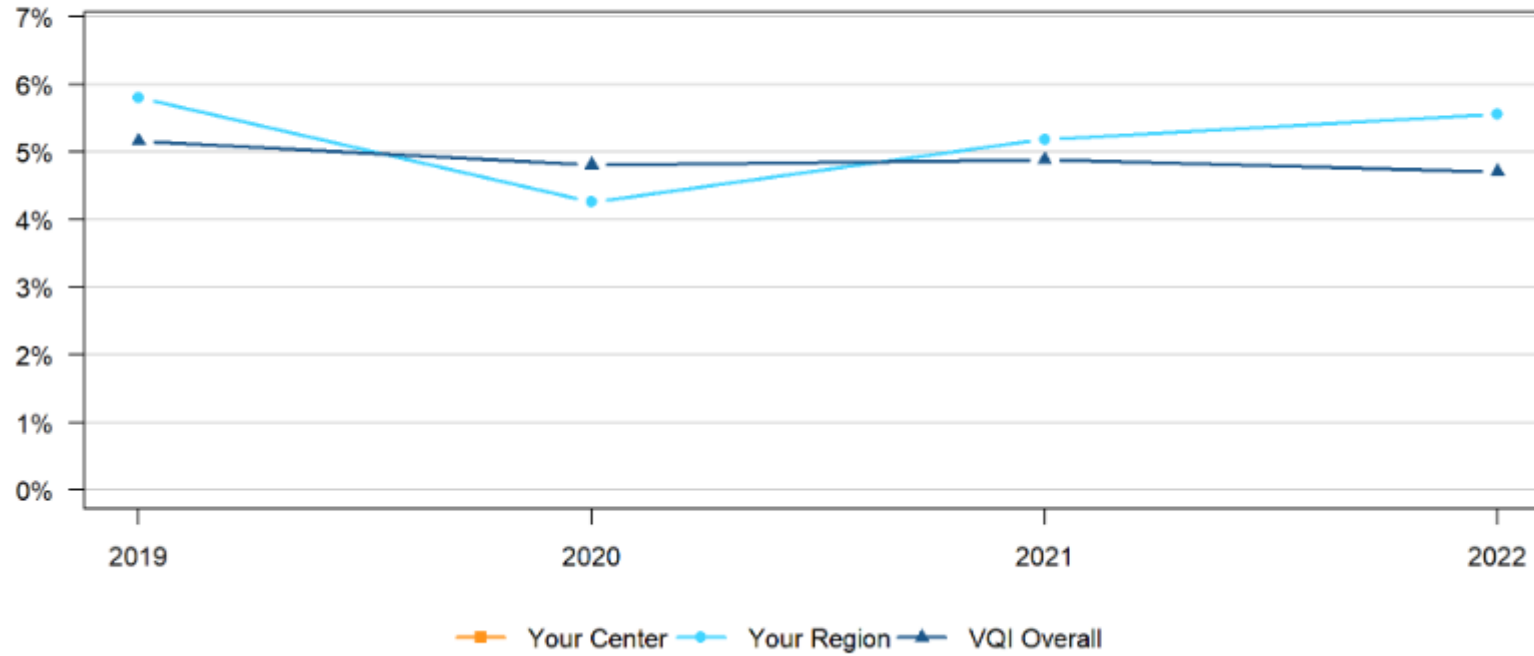
Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

Includes Infrainguinal Bypass (INFRA) procedures for rest pain, tissue loss, or acute ischemia. Major complications are defined as in-hospital death, ipsilateral BK or AK amputation, or graft occlusion.

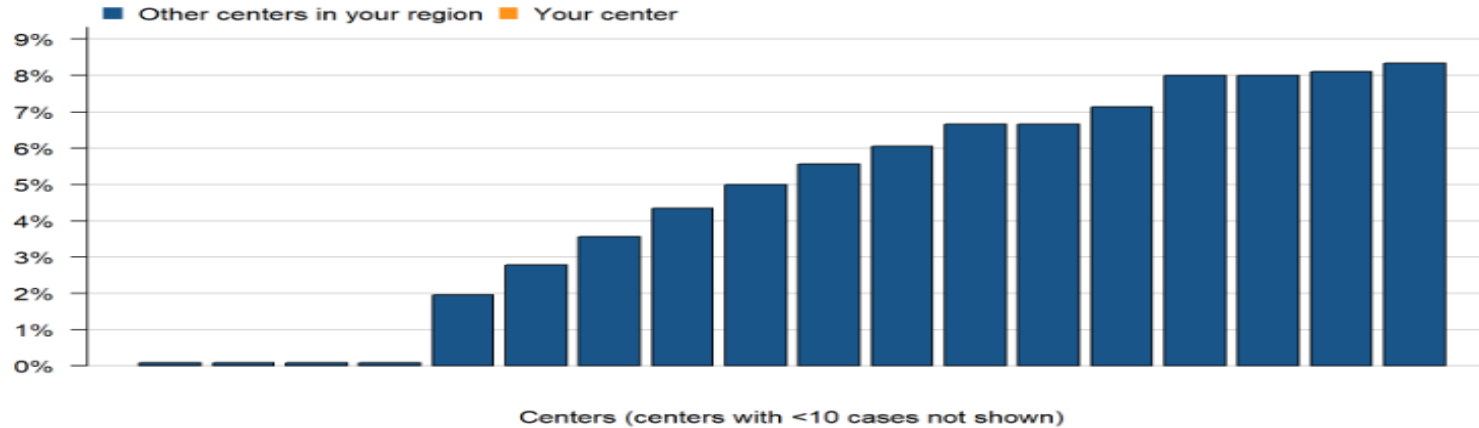
The table below gives the number of INFRA procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures that resulted in in-hospital death, ipsilateral BK or AK amputation, or graft occlusion.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of INFRA procedures meeting inclusion criteria		647	5203
Percentage with major complications		5.6%	4.7%

Major Complications after INFRA for CLTI by Year



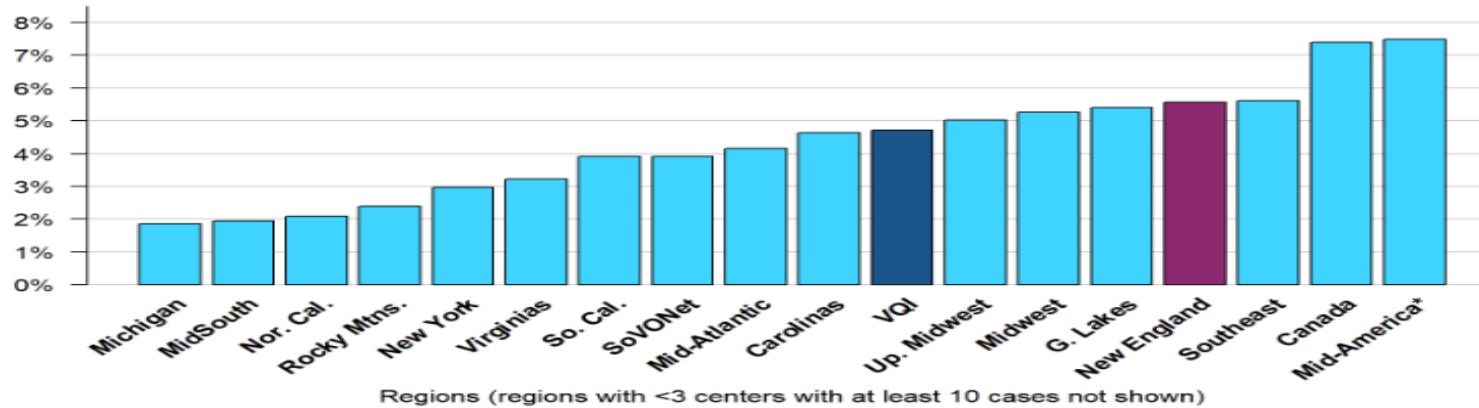
Major Complications after INFRA for CLTI in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Major Complications after INFRA for CLTI by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



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SUPRA CLTI: Major Complications

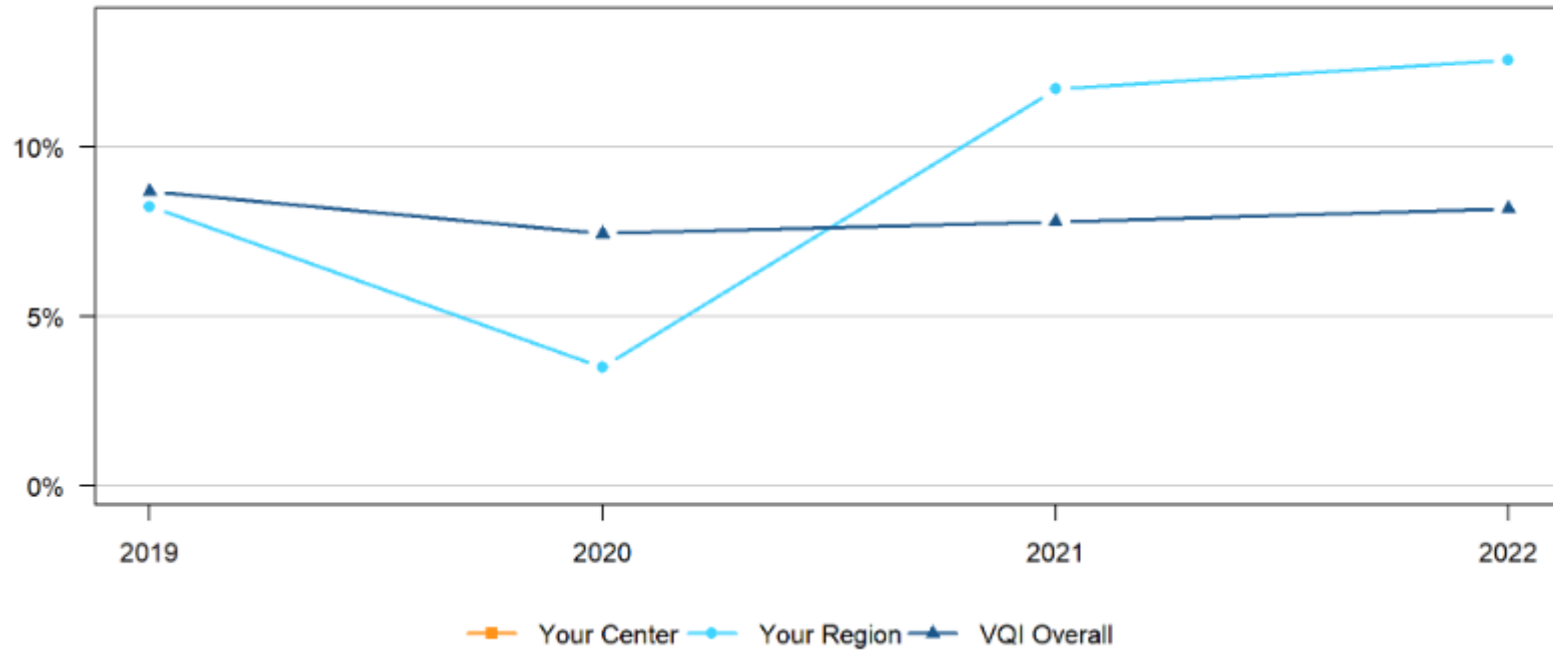
Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

Includes Suprainguinal Bypass (SUPRA) procedures for rest pain, tissue loss, or acute ischemia. Major complications are defined as in-hospital death, ipsilateral BK or AK amputation, or graft occlusion.

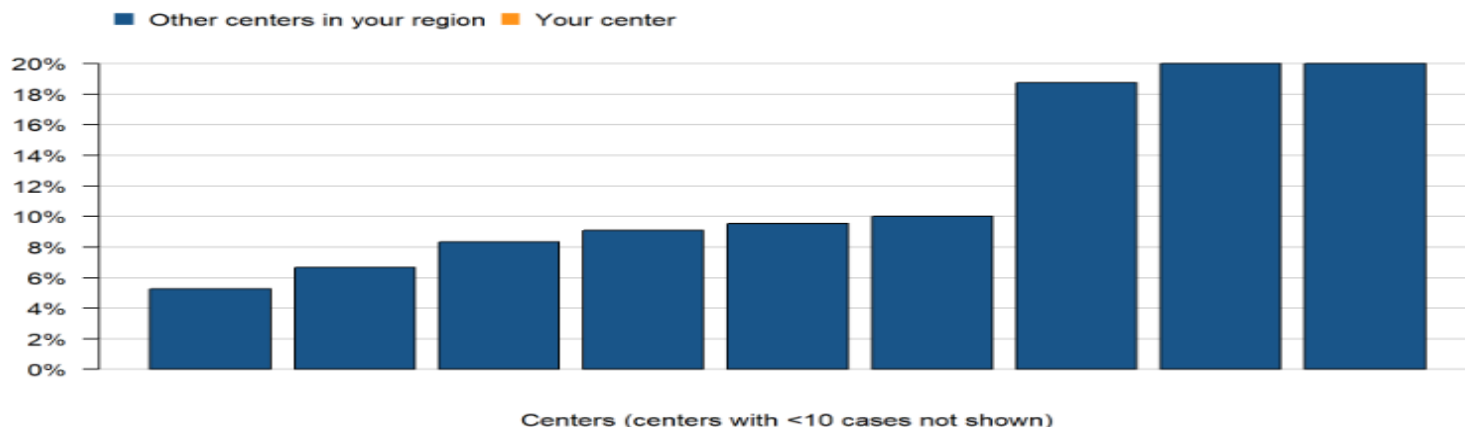
The table below gives the number of SUPRA procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures that resulted in in-hospital death, ipsilateral BK or AK amputation, or graft occlusion.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of SUPRA procedures meeting inclusion criteria		199	1282
Percentage with major complications		12.6%	8.2%

Major Complications after SUPRA for CLTI by Year



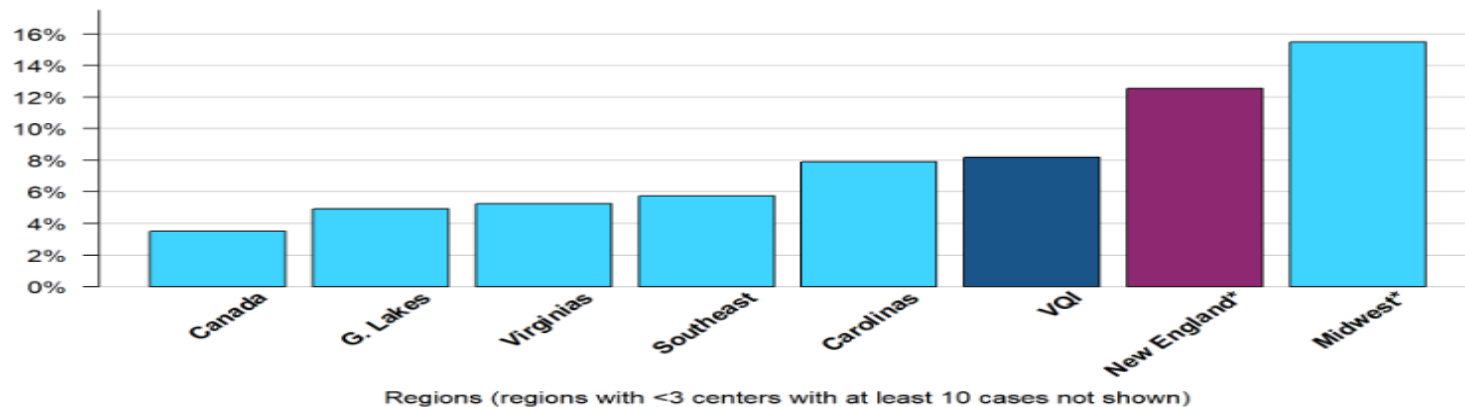
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LEAMP: Postop Complications

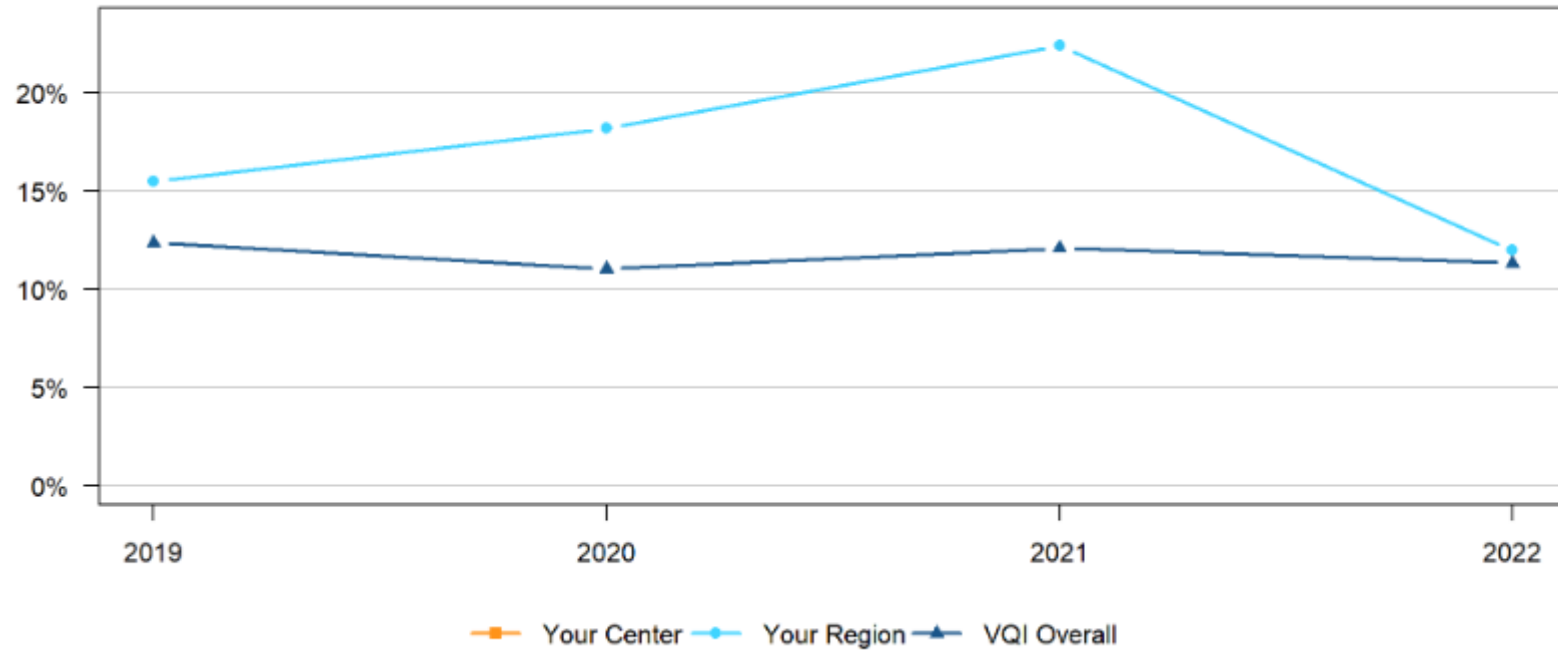
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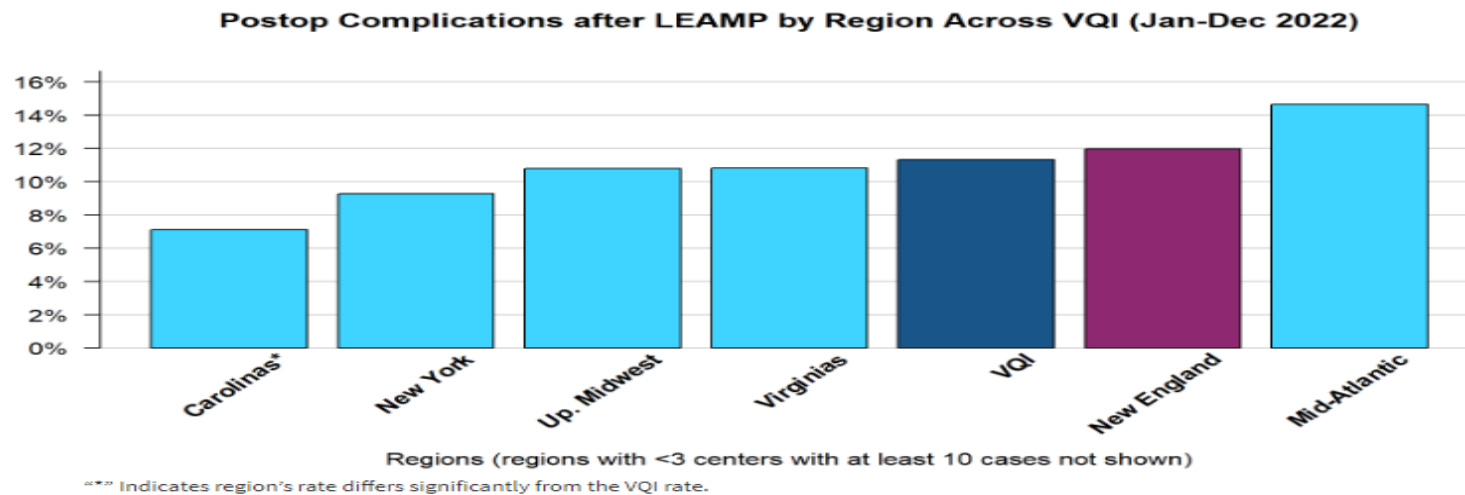
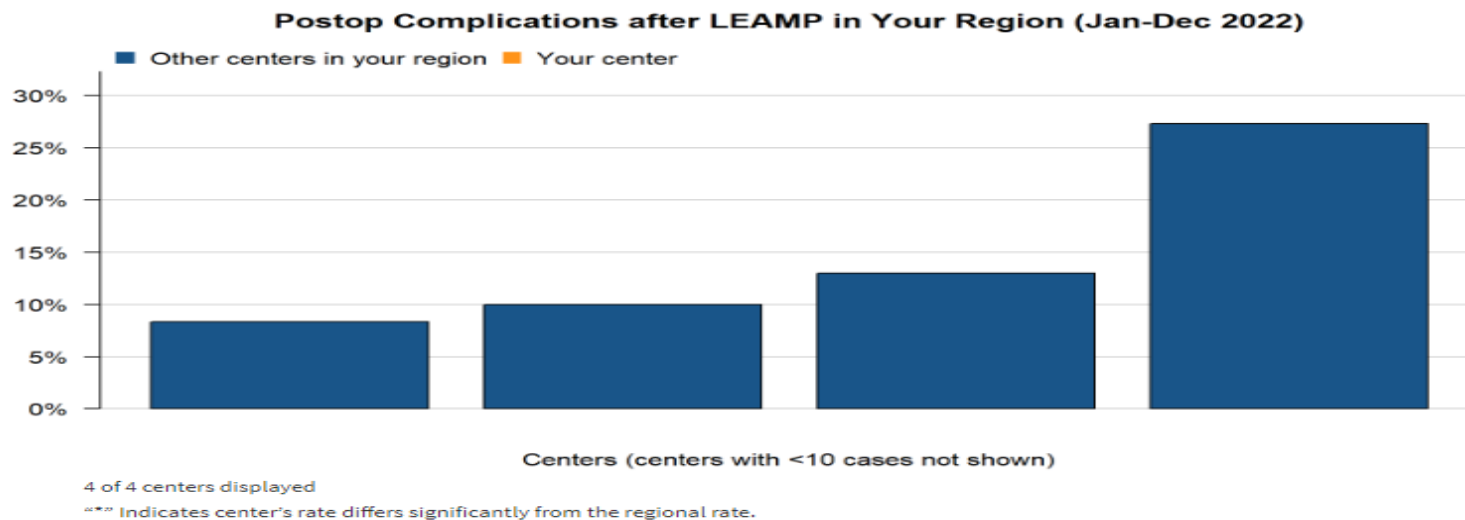
Includes Lower-Extremity Amputation (LEAMP) procedures. Postoperative complications are defined as myocardial infarction, dysrhythmia, congestive heart failure, surgical site infection, renal complication, or respiratory complication.

The table below gives the number of LEAMP procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures that resulted in a postoperative complication.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of LEAMP procedures meeting inclusion criteria		167	3363
Percentage with postoperative complications		12%	11.3%

Postop Complications after LEAMP by Year





HDA: Primary AVF vs. Graft

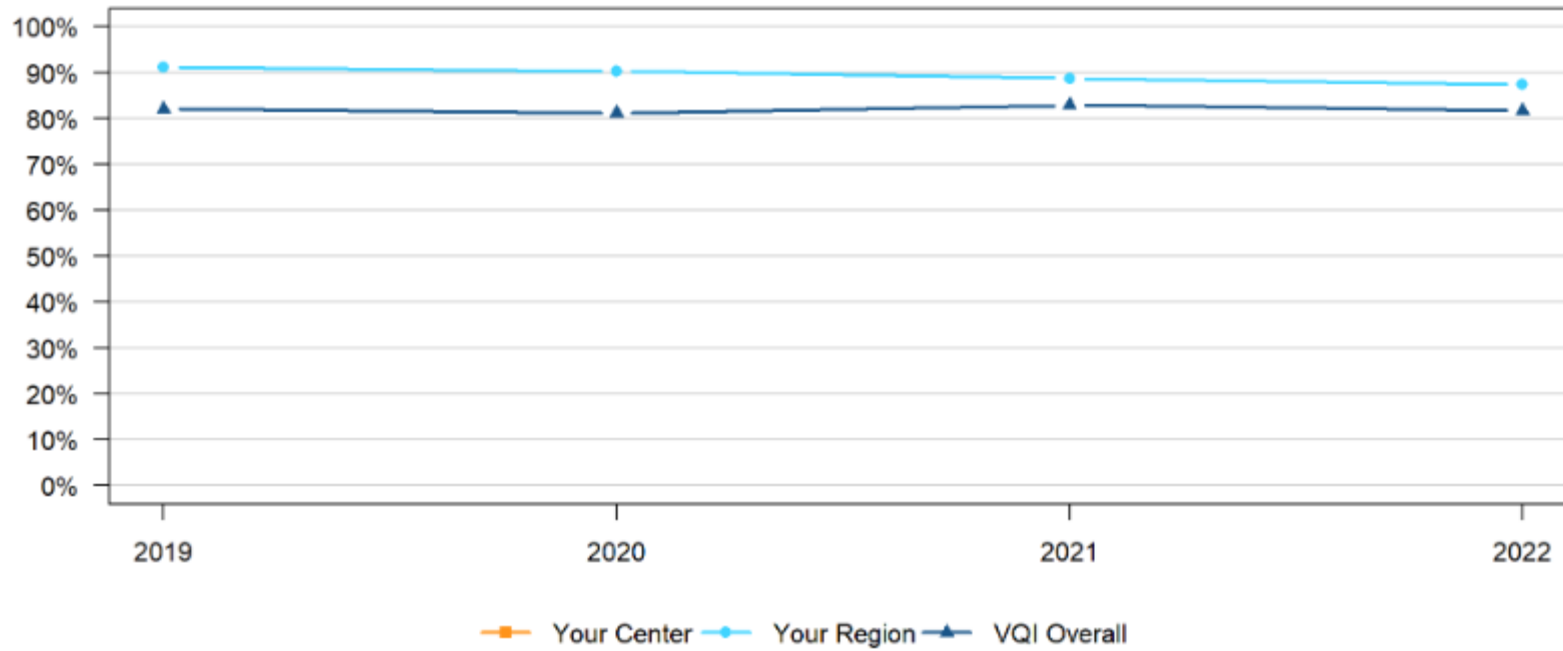
Procedures performed between January 1 and December 31, 2022

Includes Hemodialysis Access (HDA) procedures. Excludes procedures where Access Type = Endo AVF or patients with a previous access procedure in the same arm.

The table below gives the number of HDA procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures that were primary AVF.

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Number of HDA procedures meeting inclusion criteria		335	4585
Percentage with primary AVF		87.5%	81.7%

Primary AVF Access by Year



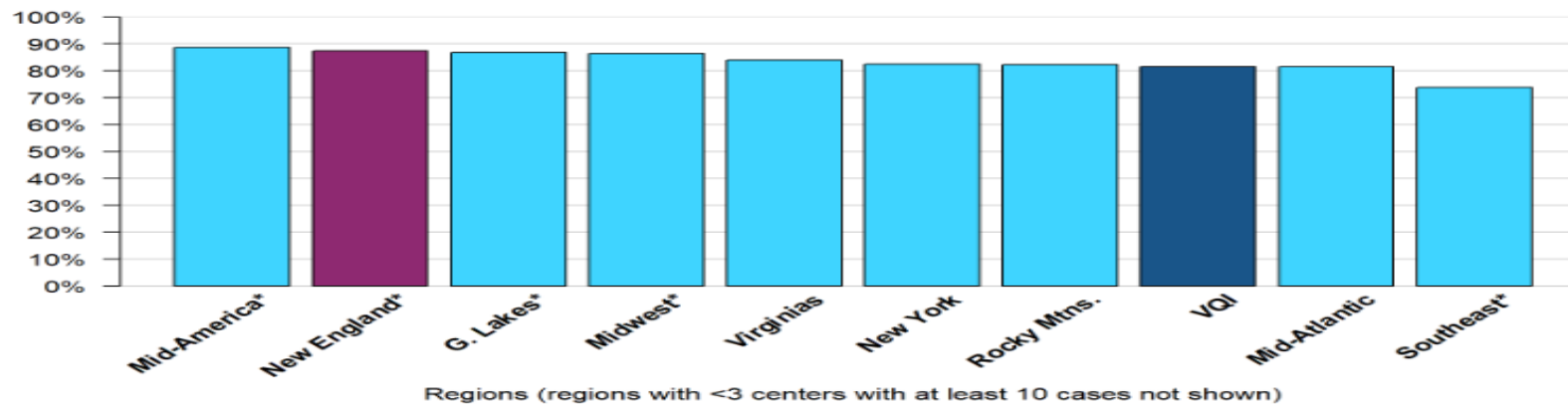
Primary AVF Access in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Primary AVF Access by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



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HDA: Ultrasound Vein Mapping

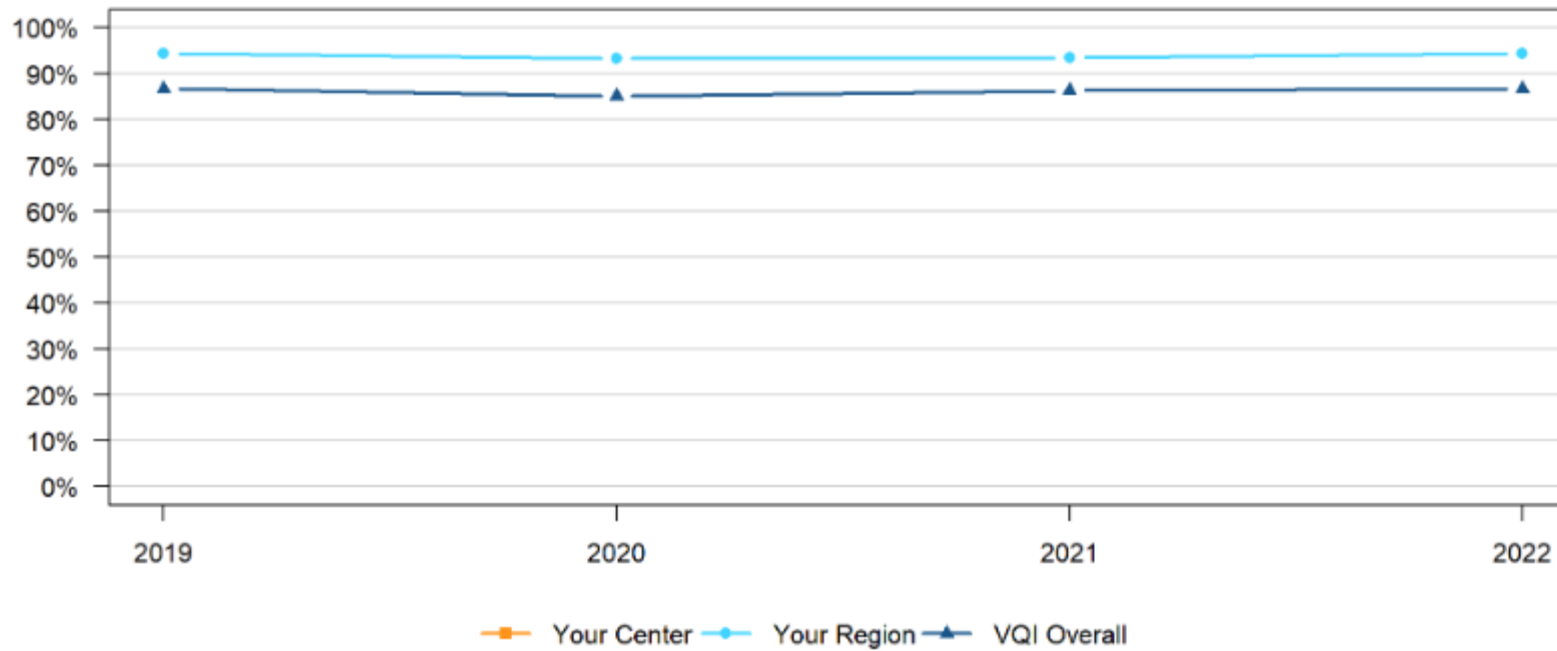
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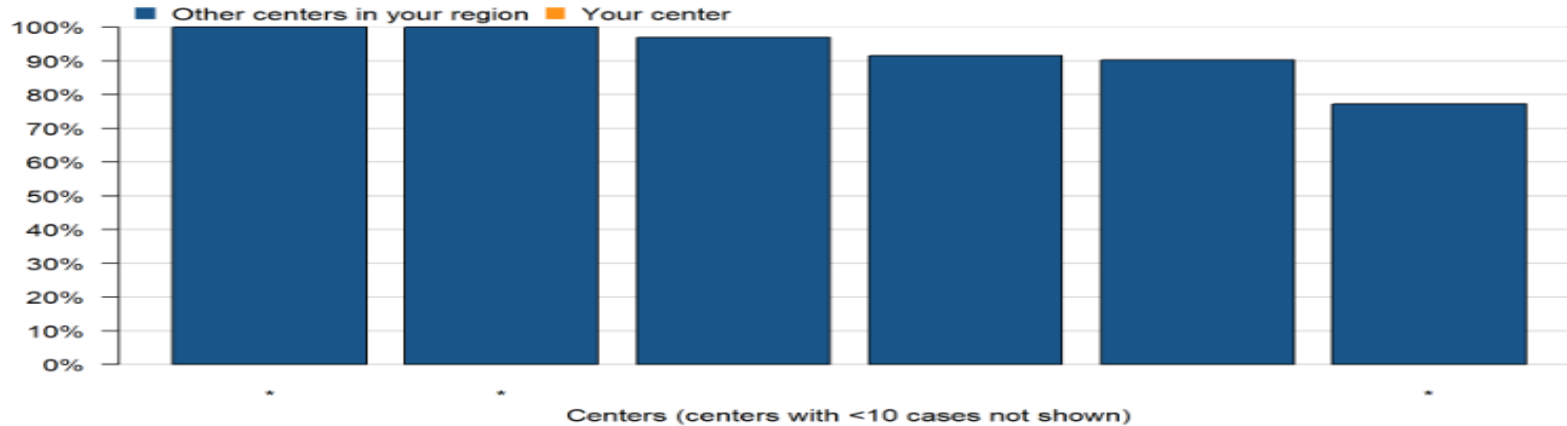
The table below gives the number of HDA procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures with preoperative ultrasound vein mapping.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of HDA procedures meeting inclusion criteria		408	5661
Percentage with preoperative ultrasound vein mapping		94.4%	86.7%

Ultrasound Vein Mapping by Year



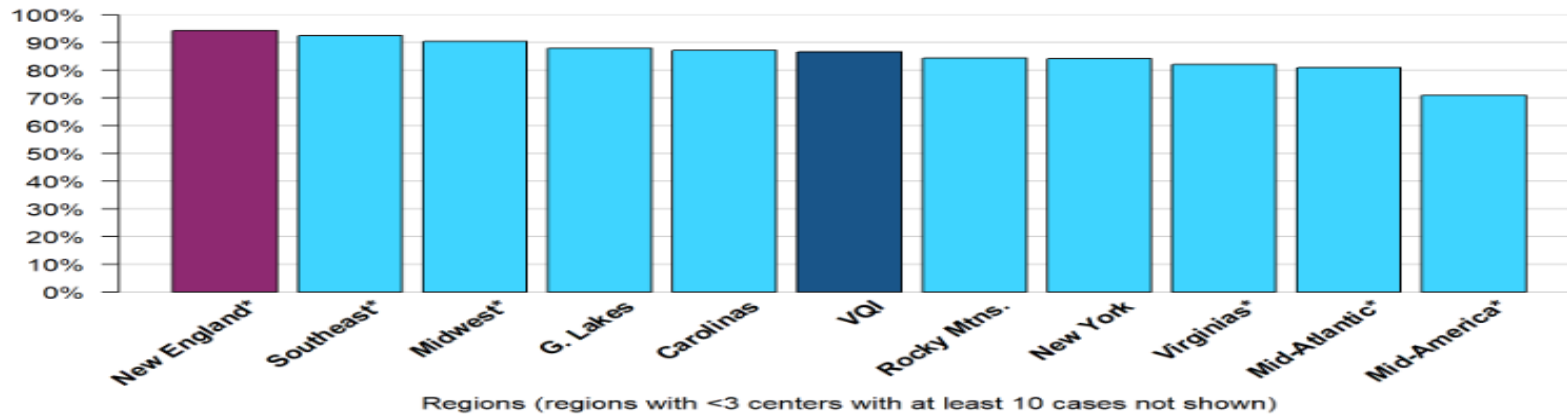
Ultrasound Vein Mapping in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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Ultrasound Vein Mapping by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2022)



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HDA: Postop Complications

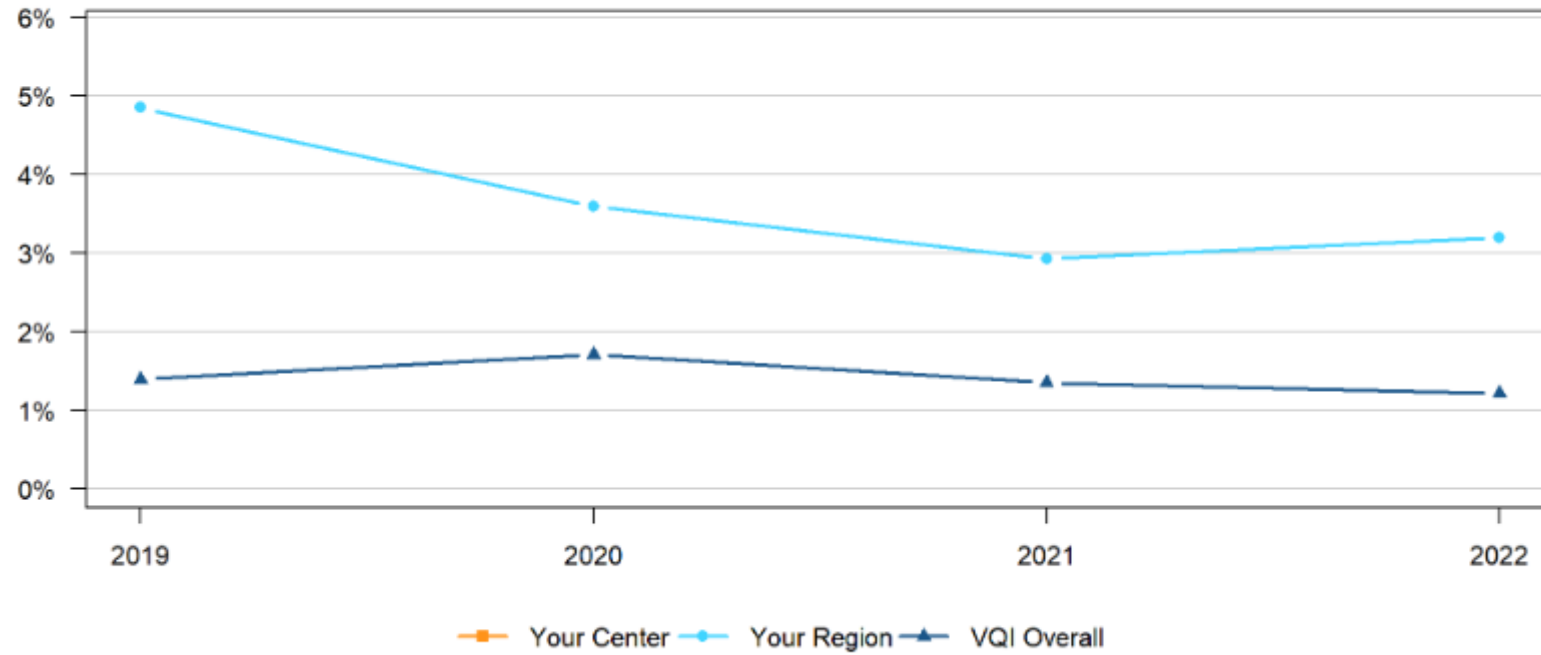
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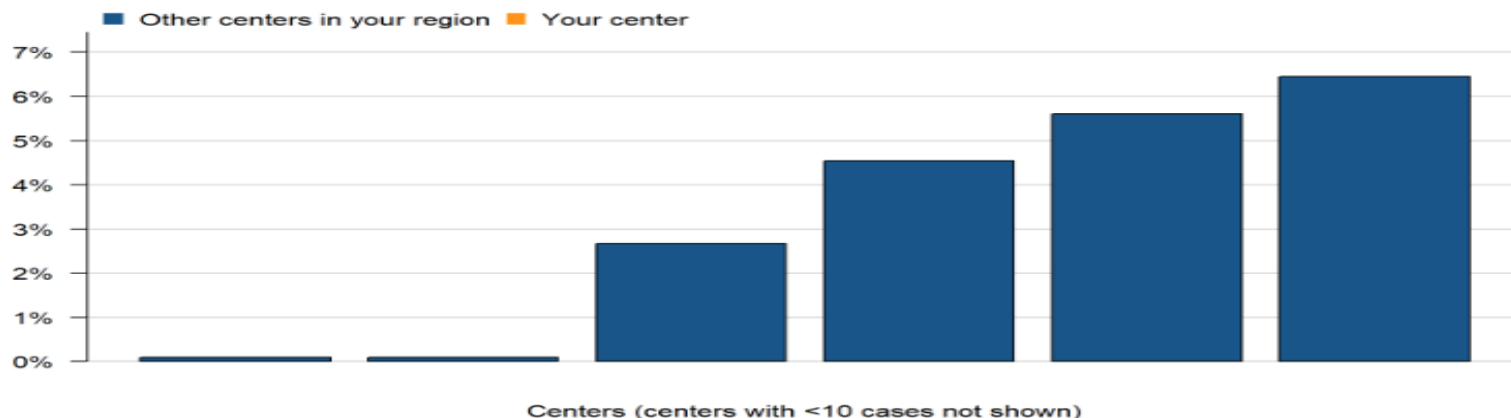
The table below gives the number of HDA procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures that resulted in an immediate postoperative complication. Postoperative complications are defined as bleeding, ischemic steal, ischemic monomelic neuropathy, access thrombosis, or other complication requiring reoperation.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of HDA procedures meeting inclusion criteria		407	5660
Percentage with immediate postoperative complications		3.2%	1.2%

Postop Complications after HDA by Year



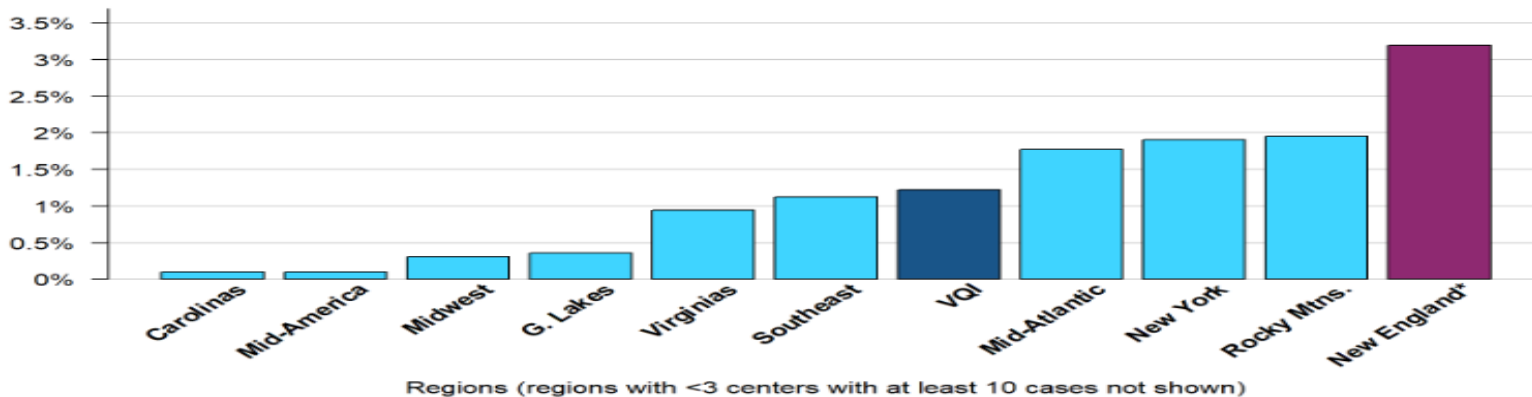
Postop Complications after HDA in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2022)



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IVCF: Filter Retrieval Reporting

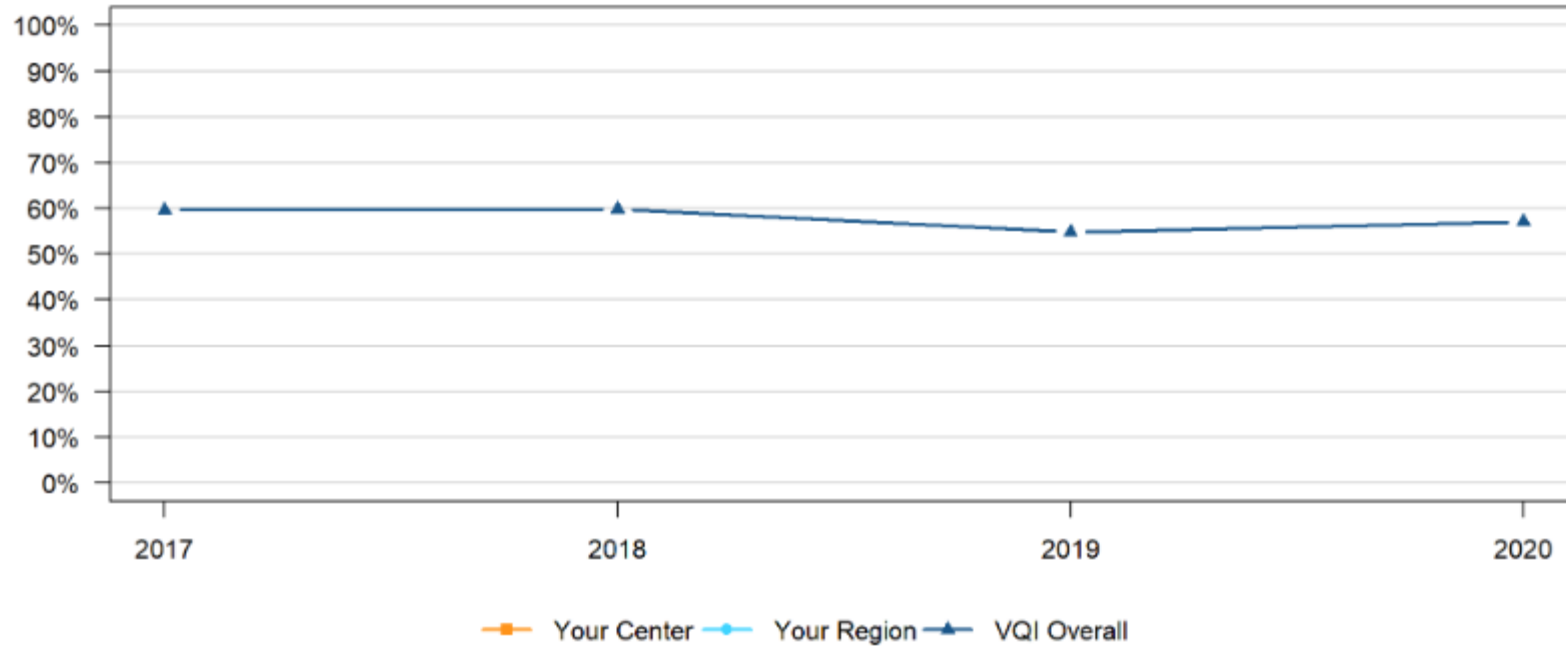
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Includes Inferior Vena Cava Filter (IVCF) procedures. Excludes filters with permanent planned duration, patients who have expired, or patients where no follow-up was possible.

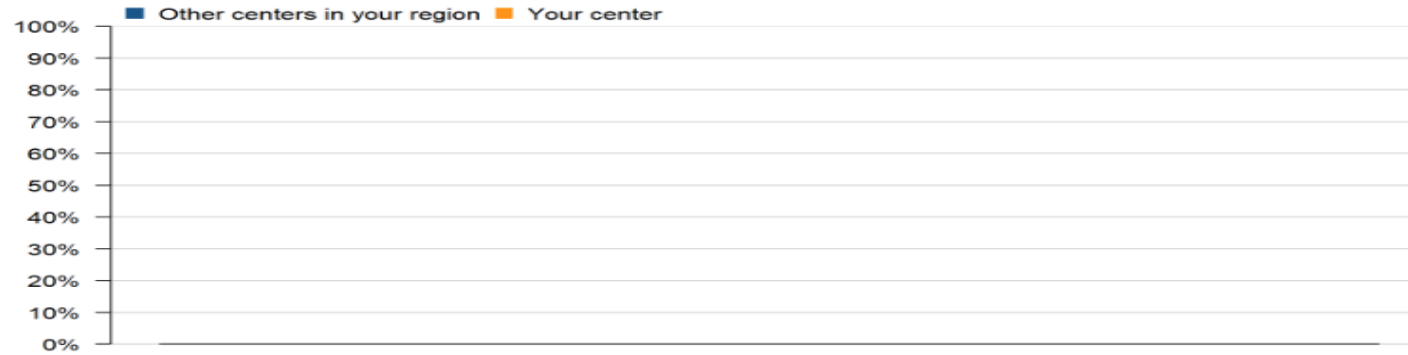
The table below gives the number of procedures meeting the inclusion criteria, and the percentage of those procedures in which the filter was reported as retrieved (or retrieval was attempted) at any time post-procedure. Because follow-up is critical for assessing filter retrieval, cases meeting the inclusion criteria are broken down into those with follow-up records (at least 1 follow-up record) and those without follow-up records.

	Your Center	Your Region	VQI Overall
Number of IVCF procedures meeting inclusion criteria		NA (<3 centers)	943
Number without follow-up records			108
Number with follow-up records			835
Percentage with Filter Retrieval, or Attempt at Retrieval			57.1%
Percentage not retrieved because No Follow-up Records Created			11.5%
Percentage not retrieved because Not Clinically Indicated			20.6%
Percentage not retrieved because Patient Declined			2.1%
Percentage not retrieved because Lost to Follow-Up			5.4%
Percentage not retrieved because Deemed Too Late for Removal			0.4%
Percentage not retrieved because Planned Later Removal			3.7%
Percentage not retrieved because No Reason Given			0.5%

IVC Filter Retrieval Reporting by Year



IVC Filter Retrieval Reporting in Your Region (Jan-Dec 2020)

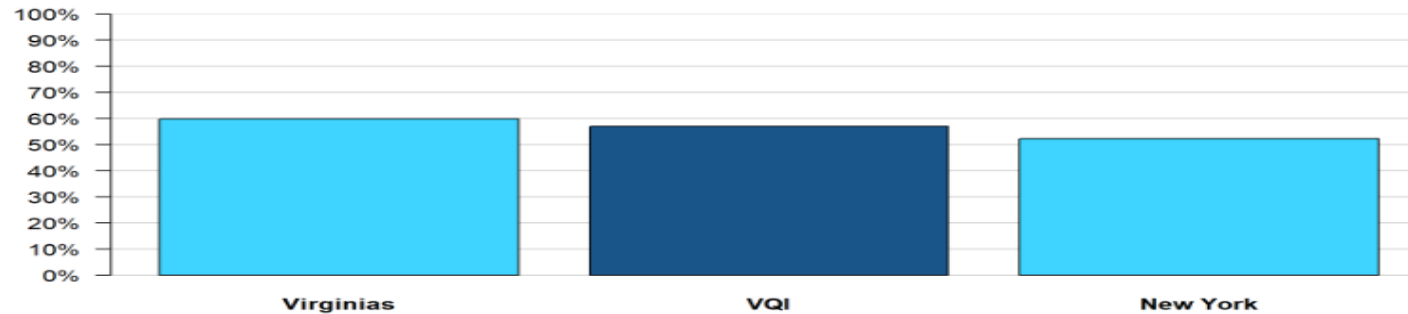


Centers (centers with <10 cases not shown)

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IVC Filter Retrieval Reporting by Region Across VQI (Jan-Dec 2020)



Regions (regions with <3 centers with at least 10 cases not shown)

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Updates from Projects Awarded in 2022:

- Aravind Ponukumati, MD, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center
- Zachary Feldman, MD, & Srihari Lella, MD, Massachusetts General Hospital

Overview for Projects Awarded 2023:

(these projects will have full updates during the fall 2023 regional meeting)

- Dana Alameddine, MD, Yale New Haven
- Lizabeth O'Connor, Elliot Surgical Services

NESVS Update

Jeffrey Siracuse, MD

Registry Survey

Daniel Bertges, MD

Lunch Break



Guest Speaker

Salvatore Scali, MD

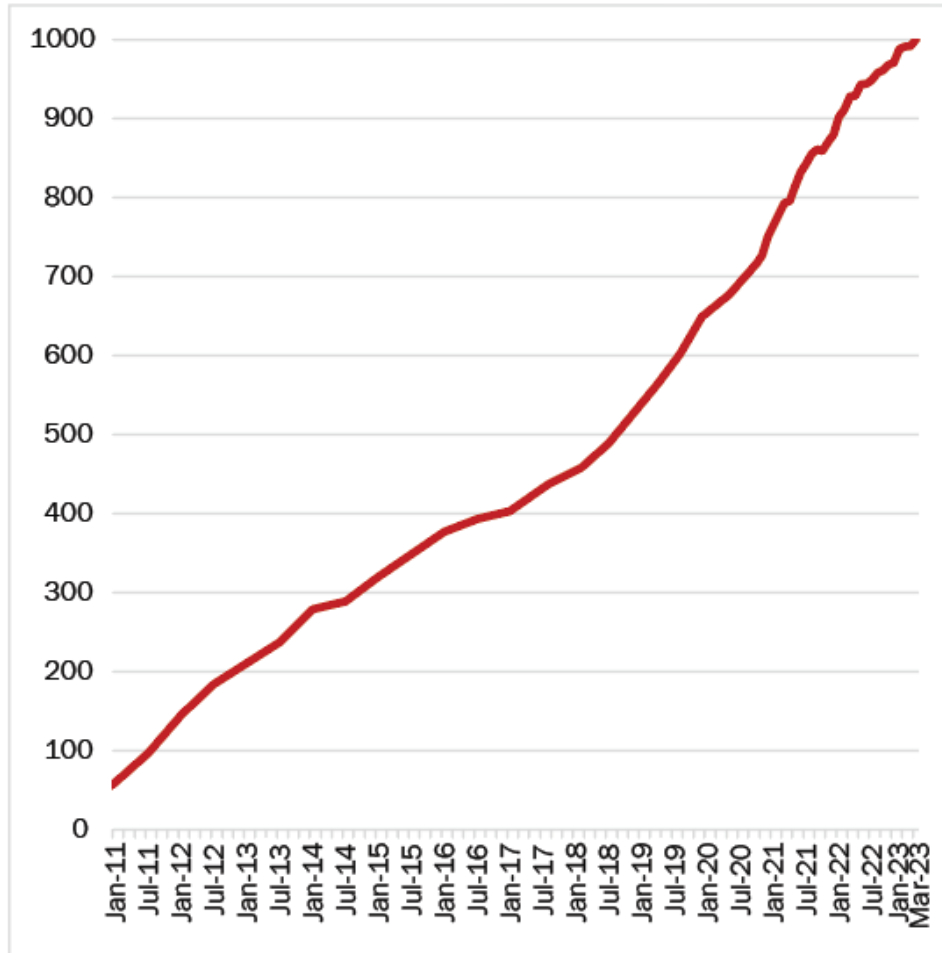
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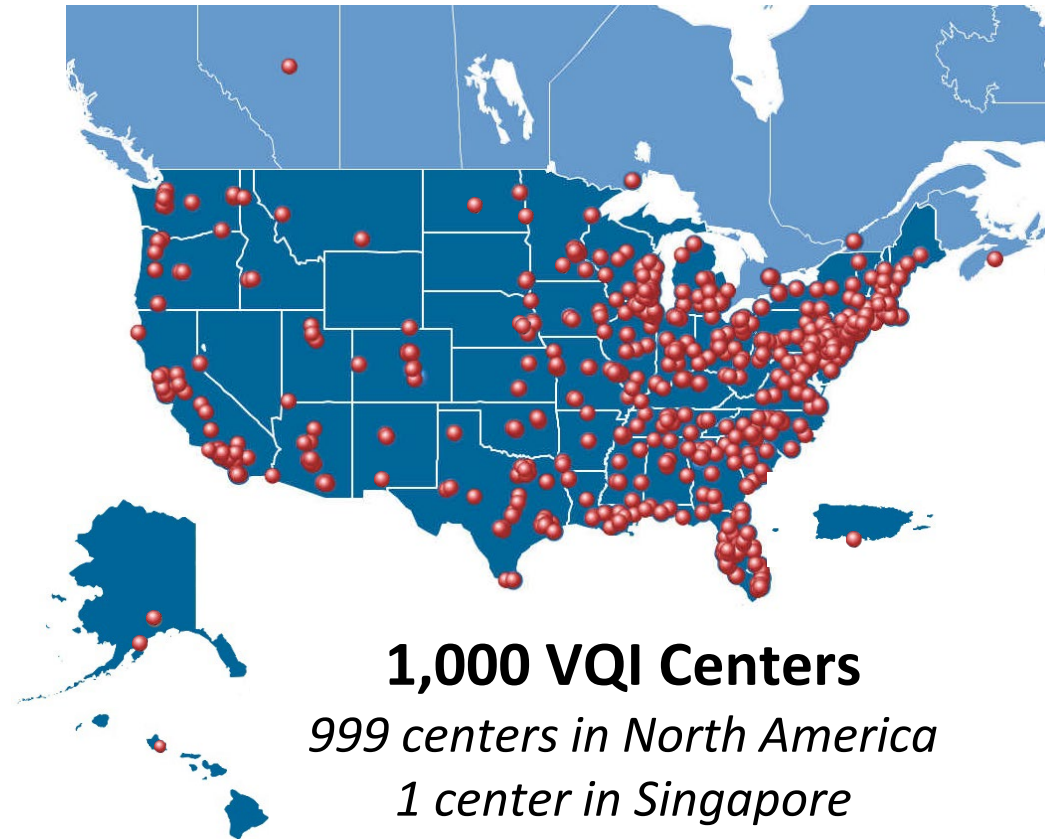
National VQI Update

Jens Jorgensen, MD
PSO Medical Director

Number of Participating Centers

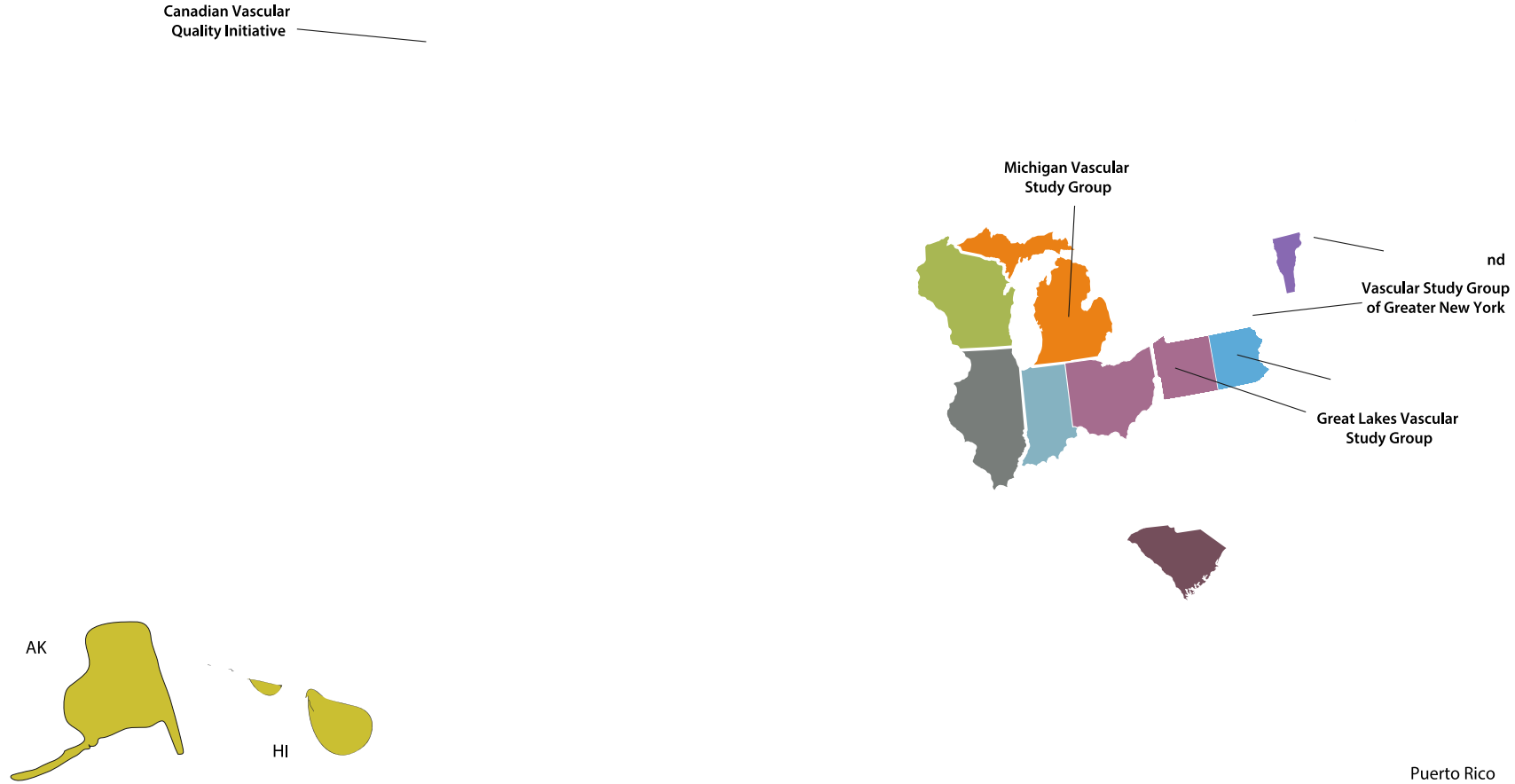


Location of VQI Participating Centers



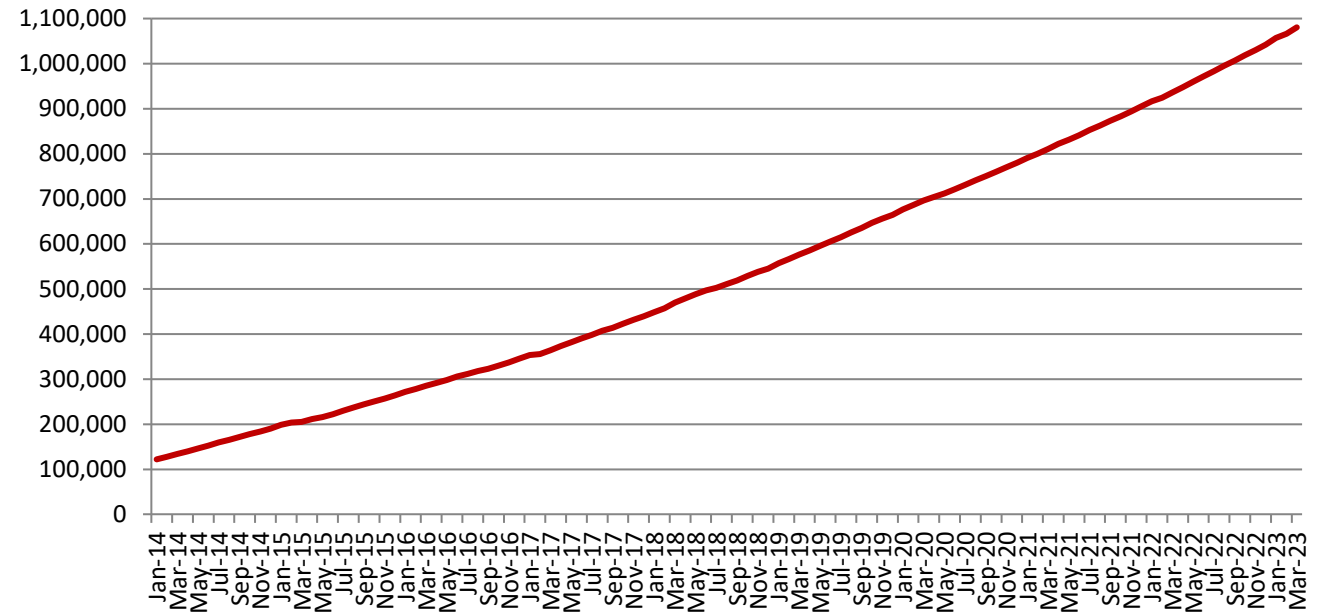
18 Regional Quality Groups

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TOTAL PROCEDURES CAPTURED	
(as of 4/1/2023)	
	1,080,461
Peripheral Vascular Intervention	373,148
Carotid Endarterectomy	192,093
Infra-Inguinal Bypass	81,019
Endovascular AAA Repair	80,103
Hemodialysis Access	76,335
Carotid Artery Stent	96,355
Varicose Vein	61,164
Supra-Inguinal Bypass	25,887
Thoracic and Complex EVAR	28,692
Lower Extremity Amputations	28,322
IVC Filter	18,290
Open AAA Repair	17,727
Vascular Medicine Consult	1,162
Venous Stent	164

VQI Total Procedure Volume



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

- 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



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/>

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2023 VQI Annual Meeting
June 13-14, 2023

Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center
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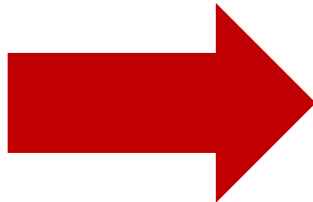
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RPVI

RPVI Course
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Start New RPVI Registration



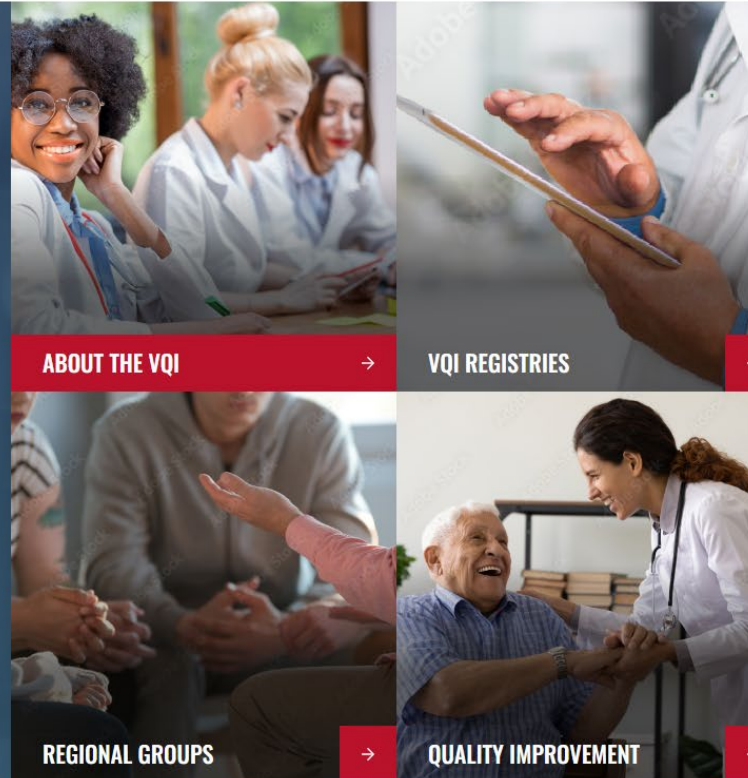
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REGIONAL GROUPS



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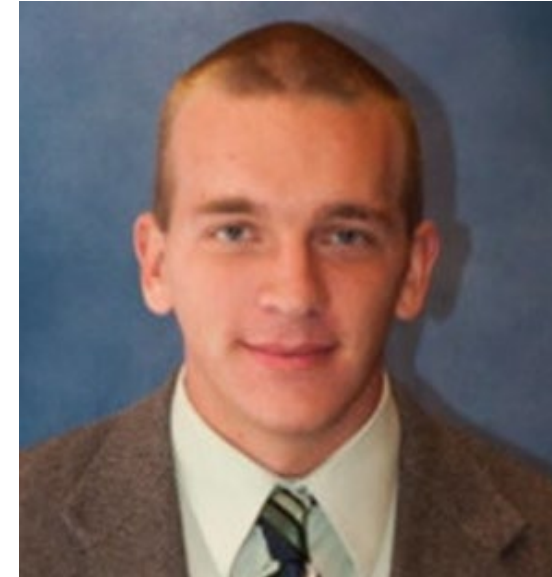


- The addition of 14 registry specific pages
- More robust search capabilities, so customers can easily get the information they need
- Clean presentation of content
- Consistent menu options for each of the 18 Regional Group Pages.
- Streamlined Members Only area

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

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



- 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

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

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REGISTRY EDUCATION WEBINARS

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- [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](#)
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- **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, Berceci SA, Scali ST, Huber TS, Upchurch GR Jr, Shah SK.
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- **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.
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- **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.
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- **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.
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- **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.
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- **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.
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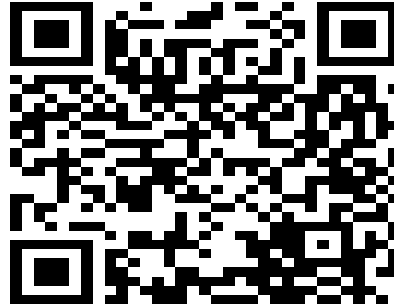
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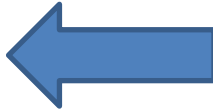


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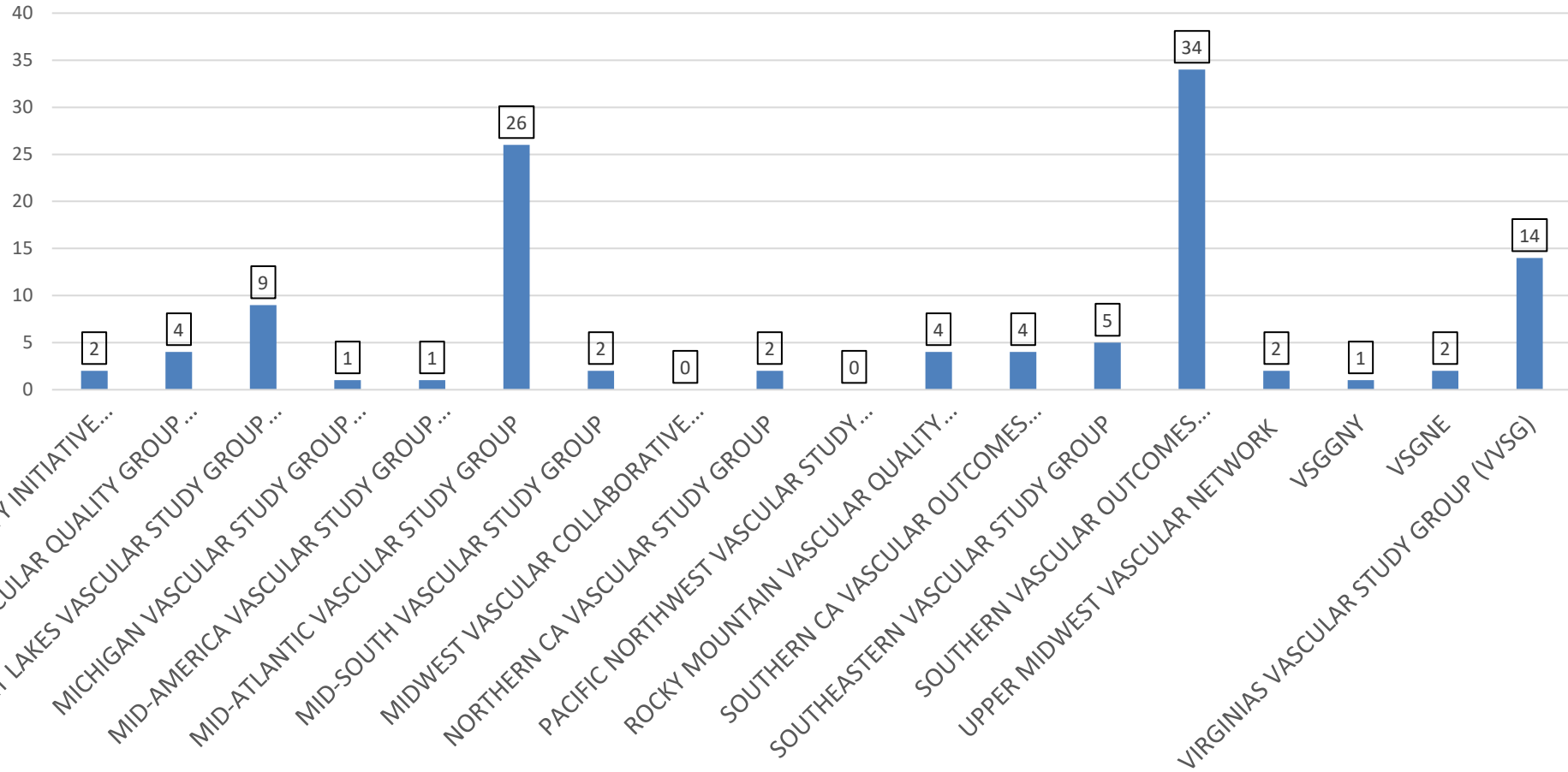
Quality Improvement – Participation Awards

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** 

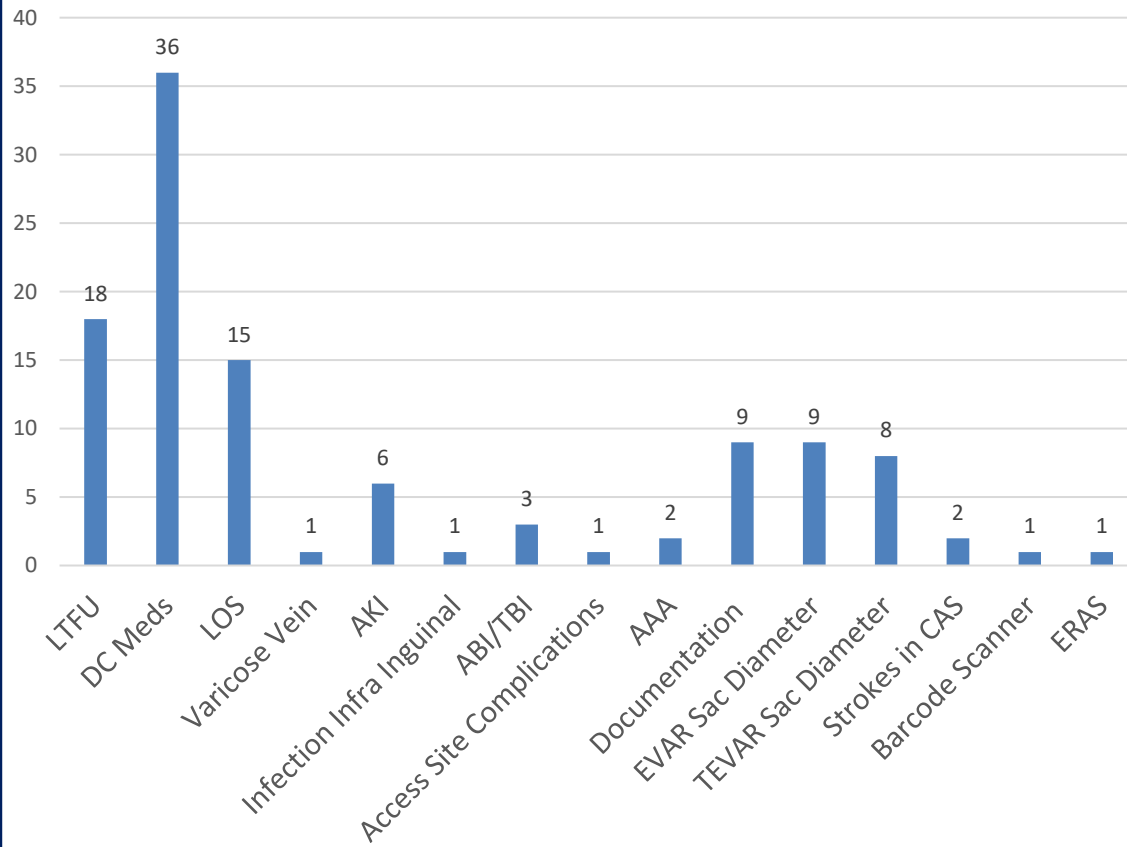
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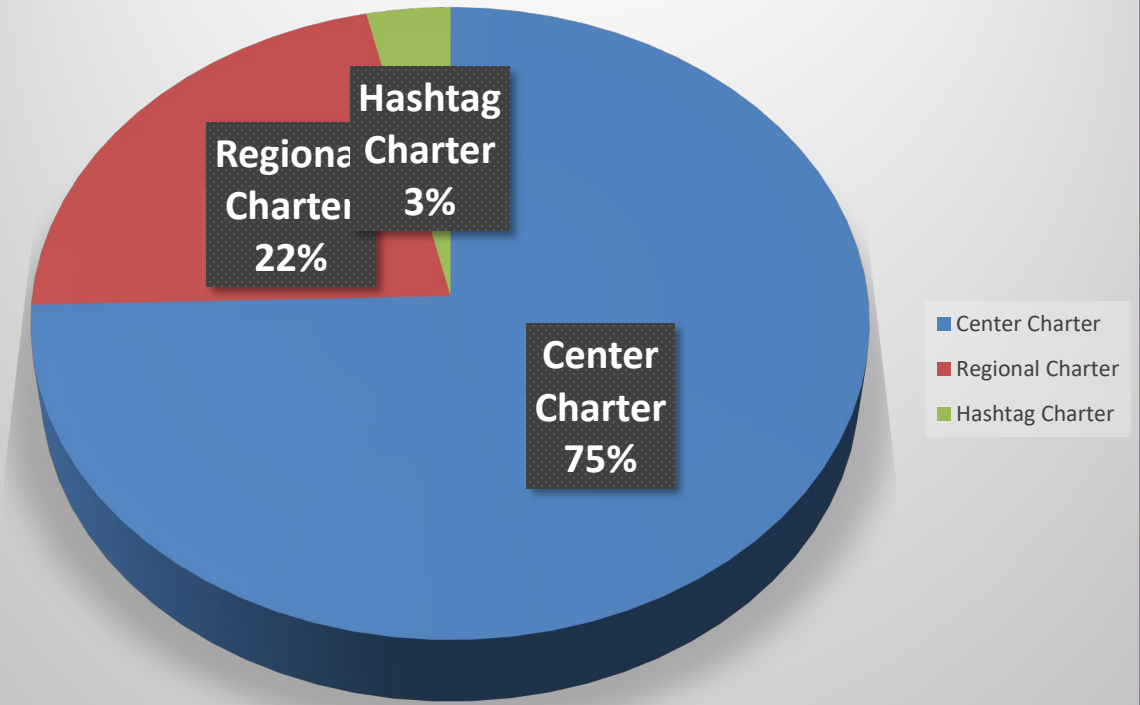


Quality Improvement – Charter Breakdown

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
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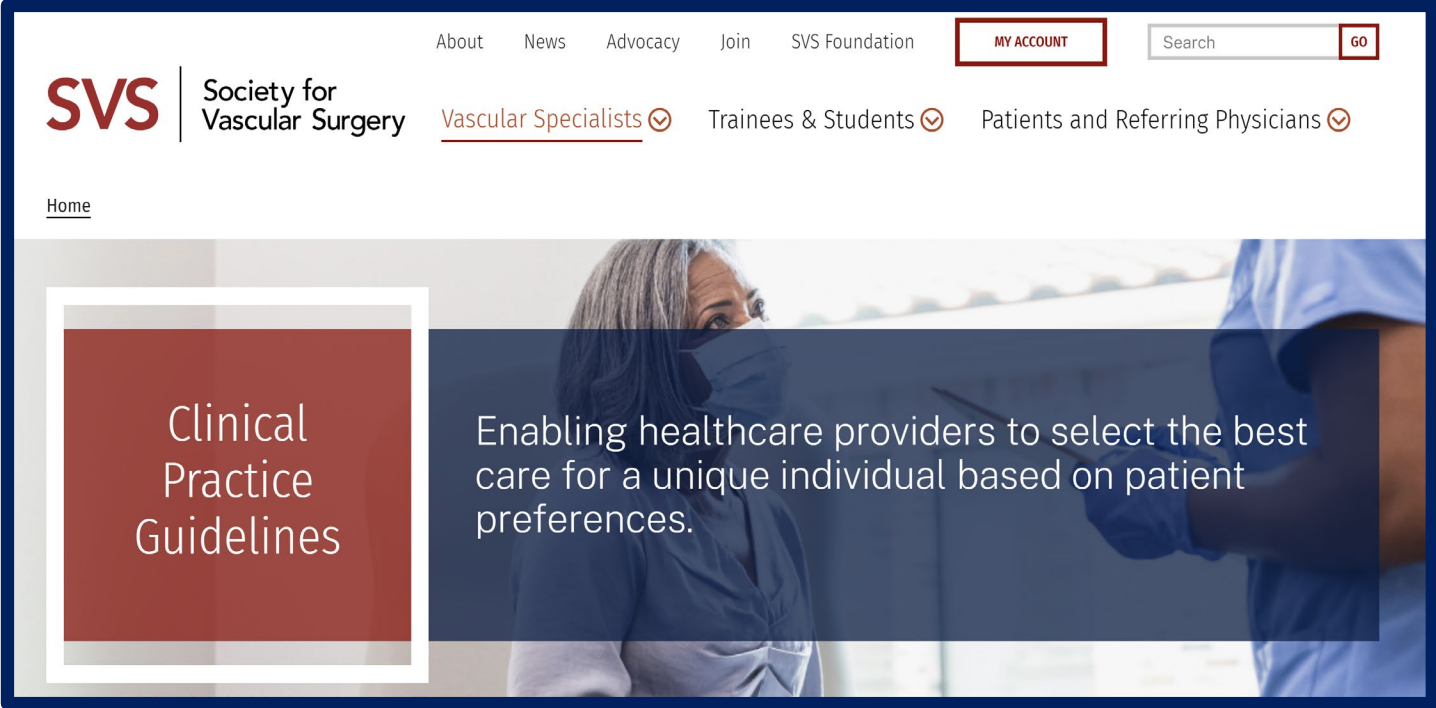


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Clinical Practice Guidelines

Enabling healthcare providers to select the best care for a unique individual based on patient preferences.

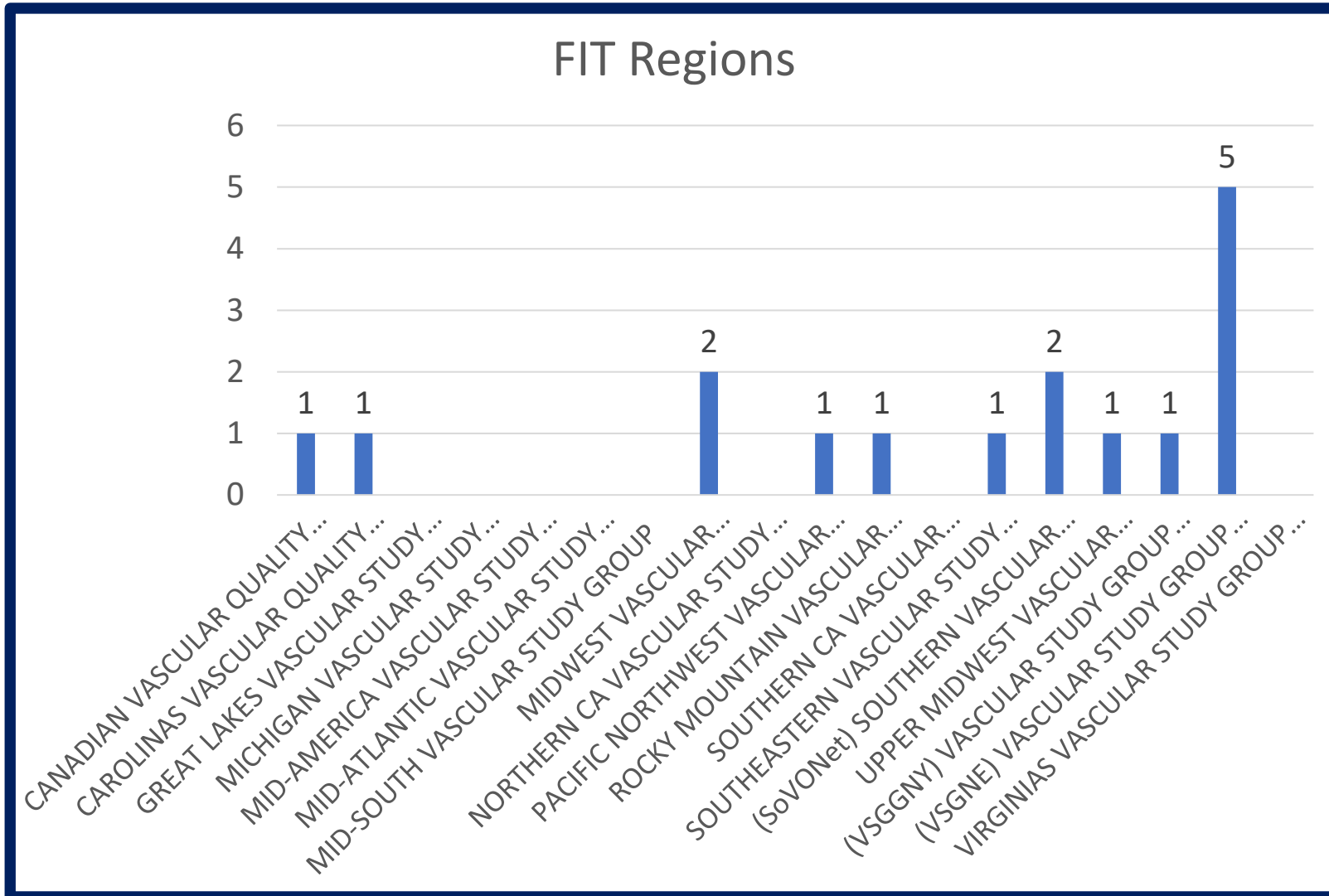


SVS PSO Quality FIT Program

- 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



Break

Take 10-minutes for a break and networking!



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Arterial Quality Council:

Roger Laham, 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:

Nathan Aranson, 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

Leg Treated: is any value

Treatment Type: is any value

Vein Type: is any value

Treatment Region: any value

2020/01/01 – 2022/12/31

Right only
 Left only
 Bilateral

Thermal_RF
 Thermal_Laser
 Mechanochemical
 Chemical
 Embolic adhesive
 High ligation and stripping
 Stripping
 Stab phlebectomy
 Trivex phlebectomy
 Open ligation
 Endoscopic ligation

Truncal
 Perforator
 Cluster

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 >= ...	0.00% (0/6)	NA	NA (<3 centers)

Fictitious Data

Venous Research Advisory Council:

Anahita Dua, MD

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

Call for Proposals: May 30, 2023

Submission Deadline: June 27, 2023

Meeting: July 10, 2023

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

Governing Council:

Jeffrey Siracuse, 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

Arterial Research Advisory Council:

Jeffrey Siracuse, MD

- Melissa Latus is your PSO primary point of contact on the status or refresh request. mlatus@svspsso.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.



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

- 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.

- Winona Wu, MD, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
- Jake Cleman, MD, Yale New Haven
- Andrea Alonso, MD, Boston Medical Center
- Payam Salehi, MD, Tufts Medical Center
- Sai Divya Yadavalli, MD, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
- Gaelle Romain, MD, Yale New Haven
- Ali Khan, MD, Lifespan/Brown



Updates for Spring 2023 VQI Regional Meetings



Technology Updates for VQI

Released in Q3 2022




- Carotid Artery Stent (CAS) Revision

- Air Kerma field was added Air Kerma ** mGy DAP ** Gy.cm²

** At least one of these fields must be completed for submission

- Select options for Lesion -> Stent -> Pre Dilate were updated

Pre-dilate Lesion

Select 

Select

No

Yes, drug coated balloons

Yes, lithotripsy

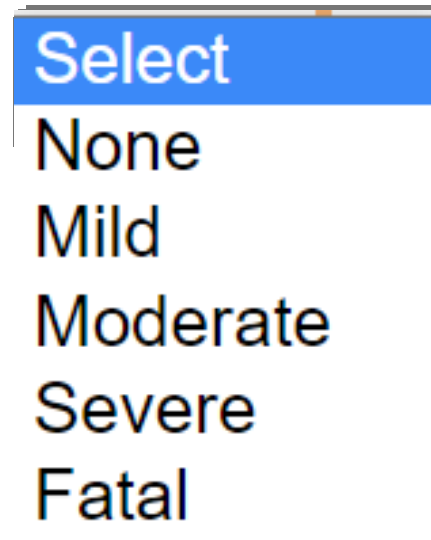
Yes, plain balloon

- Peripheral Vascular Intervention (PVI), Infra- and Suprainguinal Bypass, and Vascular Medicine Consult (VMC) Revision
 - Medication regions, in Demographics, Post- procedure and follow-up forms, were reordered and four new fields related to the dose of ASA and Rivaroxaban were added.

ASA	<input type="text" value="Yes"/>	ASA Daily Dose	<input type="text" value="Select"/>	mg				
Chronic Anticoagulant	<input type="text" value="Rivaroxaban"/>	Rivaroxaban Dose	<input type="text" value="10"/>	mg	Rivaroxaban Dose Frequency	<input type="text" value="Other"/>	Please Specify	<input type="text"/>
P2Y12 Antagonist	<input type="text" value="Select"/>							
Statin	<input type="text" value="Select"/>							
Beta Blocker	<input type="text" value="Select"/>							
ACE-Inhibitor/ARB	<input type="text" value="Select"/>							

- PVI, INFRA, SUPRA, VMC Revision
 - Any Bleeding Complication field was added to the follow-up forms.

Any Bleeding Complication



A screenshot of a dropdown menu for the field 'Any Bleeding Complication'. The menu is open, showing a blue header with the word 'Select' and five options: 'None', 'Mild', 'Moderate', 'Severe', and 'Fatal'.

Select
None
Mild
Moderate
Severe
Fatal

Device Assistant Enhancements

- Moved full or partial matched Catalog Numbers to appear at the top of the device results list
- Added ability to search for Catalog Number, Primary DI or Alternate Catalog Number with or without dashes
- Added the columns 'Description' and 'Alternate Catalog Number' to the device table

Released in Q3 2022



TEVAR Follow-up Outcomes Report

- A new 'Follow-up Outcomes Report' for the Thoracic and Complex EVAR registry, developed by the SVS PSO, is now available in the PATHWAYS Reporting tab. The report will provide key follow up metrics for VQI sites with center data as well as regional and all VQI benchmarking and includes drill down capabilities to better understand center data at the procedure level.

TEVAR Follow-up Outcomes Report

Procedure Date	Presentation	Pathology	Dissection Indication	Zone of Treatment (Proximal/Distal)
2018/01/01 – 2021/12/31	is any value	is any value	is any value	

Released in Q3 2022



IVC Filter Follow-up Outcomes Report

- A new 'Follow-up Outcomes Report' for the IVC Filter registry, developed by the SVS PSO, is now available in the PATHWAYS Reporting tab. The report will provide key follow up metrics for VQI sites with center data as well as regional and all VQI benchmarking and includes drill down capabilities to better understand center data at the procedure level.

IVC Follow-up Outcomes Report

Procedure Date

2020/01/01 – 2022/12/31

Planned Filter Duration

is any value

Released in Q3 2022



HDA Follow-up Outcomes Report

- A new 'Follow-up Outcomes Report' for the Hemodialysis Access registry, developed by the SVS PSO, is now available in the PATHWAYS Reporting tab. The report will provide key follow up metrics for VQI sites with center data as well as regional and all VQI benchmarking and includes drill down capabilities to better understand center data at the procedure level.

HDA Follow-up Outcomes Report

Procedure Date	Procedure Type	Performance Site	AV Graft Conduit	Inflow Artery
2020/01/01 – 2022/12/31	is any value	is any value	is any value	is any value

Released to Demo Only in Q4 2022



VVR Follow-up Outcomes Report

- A new 'Follow-up Outcomes Report' for the Varicose Vein registry, developed by the SVS PSO, is now available in the PATHWAYS Reporting tab. The report will provide key follow up metrics for VQI sites with center data as well as regional and all VQI benchmarking and includes drill down capabilities to better understand center data at the procedure level.

Varicose Vein Follow-Up Outcomes Report

Procedure Date

2017/01/01 – 2022/12/31

Leg Treated

is any value

Treatment Type

is any value

Vein Type

is any value

Treatment Region

any value





PATHWAYS Support

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Need help?

Check out the PATHWAYS Support tab.

- **Documents**
List of essential documents necessary for new staff and experienced abstractors to assist with data abstraction.
- **Release Notes**
Listing of release announcements highlighting changes & improvements to the registries.
- **Training Schedule**
List of upcoming training opportunities with registration links for new staff and experienced abstractors.

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Support

Documents

- Code List
- Data Dictionary
- Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria
- Paper Form

Release Notes

Training Schedule

Welcome

Use the menu on the left side to access support tools.

Should you need assistance, please reach out to the PATHWAYS Customer Support Team by emailing your inquiry to PATHWAYSsupport@fivoshealth.com.

You may also find the PATHWAYS Technical FAQ's, User Guides and previously recorded Webinars located on the [Resources](#) tab as a helpful tool to assist you.

PATHWAYS Support



Help us help you.

PATHWAYSsupport@fivoshealth.com

When sending an email inquiry to the PATHWAYS Support team...

- Please include:
 - Detailed information regarding your question including the name of the procedure registry and field(s) in question
 - Primprocid's to identify specific records
 - Your center name and contact information including a phone number in case we need to contact you
- Please **exclude**:
 - PHI from any email or attachments you upload
 - i.e., Patient name & DOB

This will help avoid confusion as we research your questions to ensure an accurate and timely response!

PATHWAYS Support

Are you new to the role of Hospital Manager at your center?

The **PATHWAYS Hospital Manager Guide**, located on the Resources tab, might help you better understand the responsibilities of your role in the VQI.



PATHWAYS® Hospital Manager Guide

We are excited to welcome you as a new Hospital Manager to PATHWAYS!

Your center has shown a commitment to quality improvement. The PATHWAYS platform provides a complete solution for collecting and managing registry data. Built-in reporting tools allow you to manage your registry data and compare your outcomes with other centers.

As a new Hospital Manager (HM) for your center, we would encourage you to reach out to existing staff to discuss your center's unique workflows and experience, and to gather information about the status of your registry data abstraction.

Responsibilities/Expectations of HM Role:

- Primary contact for the Registry at your center
- Receive & distribute communications regarding reports, meetings, announcements, etc.
- Understand the participation requirements of the registry & ensure adherence to these requirements (such as annual claims validation, registry inclusion criteria, and follow-up expectations)
- Create and manage user accounts and privileges
- PATHWAYS Super User
- Designate a secondary "Hospital Manager" at your site for cross coverage
- Maintenance of Center Characteristics
- Respond to data audits & other registry related inquiries

This HM checklist outlines steps to guide you to become familiar with PATHWAYS.

Getting Started:

- Login to PATHWAYS to get started!

Claims Validation

The annual claims validation process is intended to ensure that all eligible cases have been captured in the registry and is a requirement of participation in the VQI. This process is a key component of VQI's efforts to make certain registry data reflects real-world evidence.

The **2022** Claims Validation process will be launched in **April 2023**

- Centers will be notified via email with a request to provide the contact information for the individual responsible for completing the audit.
- Participating centers will be invited to a webinar providing an overview of the steps required for successful completion.

PATHWAYS Support is here to help you!

Please reach out if your center is selected to participate and you need assistance.



Coming Soon...

The **Support** Team is currently developing brief training videos to assist with specific functionality and tasks. By sharing some pointers with you, we hope to save you time and highlight PATHWAYS functionality and tools that you may not be familiar with.

The **Technology** Team has several features in progress to enhance PATHWAYS functionality including:

- Infra & Supra Follow-up Outcomes reports.
- Expanding data integration capabilities with Cedaron to include more VQI registries.
- Visualization of recently updated help text on the online/electronic form.
- Enhancing the Support tab to accommodate links to external resources.



THANK YOU

The Fivos team appreciates your support and looks forward to your continued feedback about the PATHWAYS platform and support services.

Please send your suggestions to
PATHWAYSsupport@fivoshealth.com

- **Date UPDATED – Friday, October 27, 2023**
- Location – Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, 1 Medical Center Drive, Lebanon, NH 03756
- Time – 10am – 4pm ET

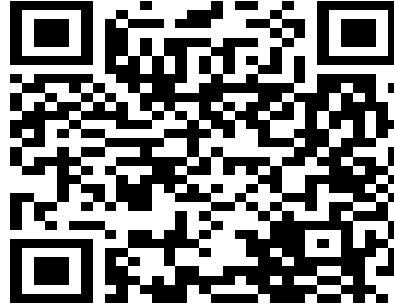
Invites already sent!

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

*Thank
you*



REMEMBER TO PSO:



- **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_6QndgIYa0PoNauO

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