

# Virginia Vascular Study Group (VVSG)

October 27, 2022

12pm-4pm

Winchester, Va (Hybrid)

Meeting Highlights/Action Items : See regional slide deck for detailed data

On site attendance: See attendance sheet

Remote attendance: (download from ring central)

PSO Representative Attending Meeting: Betsy Wymer, DNP Director of Quality

## I. Presentations:

- a. VQI National Updates- Betsy Wymer
- b. Council Updates
  - i. AQC Update- Betsy Wymer
  - ii. VQC Update- David Spinosa, MD
  - iii. RAC Update- Behzad Farivar, MD
  - iv. GC Update- Betsy Wymer
- c. VVSG Regional Data Review- Dr. Minc
- d. VVSG QI Presentations:
  - i. **Michael Spinosa, VTC SOM M4 (Clarilion Medical Center)**- “Assessing Barriers to Enrolling Patients with Peripheral Artery Disease in Walking Programs”
  - ii. **Matthew Cunningham-Hill, MD (WVU Medicine)**- “Modern Analysis of the Odds of Stroke After Carotid Artery Stenting in Octogenarians Using the VVSG Regional VQI Database”
  - iii. **Kristen Ford (Winchester Medical Center)**- “Vascular Medicine Registry- a Year in Review”
  - iv. **Dr. Richard Neville (Inova Vascular)**- “Vascular Quality Initiative”

## II. General Discussion and Questions

- a. What is the best form of communication among DMs? Will start an email thread for communication.
- b. Stacy stepping down from co-lead DM position. Looking for DMs interested in co-lead position.
- c. Update on spring meeting question- Can APPs be considered for receiving participation points like physicians? Answer: No, APPs are counted as Support

Staff. They are not credentialed as physicians; therefore, they do not receive participation points as physicians.

- d. Discussion regarding HDA module –
  - i. Does intra op count for vein mapping?
  - ii. AVF- the guidelines are outdated
- e. COVID, smoking cessation variables – remain on demographic tabs – *this is an enhancement request that has been provided to Caroline Morgan (CM)*
- f. OPIOID – what are we getting at, data download overwhelming – *this is currently being reviewed by the chair; once reviewed, there will be revisions and a webinar to follow as per CM*
- g. VMC Registry – inclusion/exclusion has gray areas – *feedback will be provided to the chair, possible revision/enhancement request as per CM*
- h. DC Meds – LEAMP Registry, no contraindicated for no hx of PVD – *this is a common variable among like variables – enhancement request and/or consideration for inclusion/exclusion per CM*
- i. Antiplatelet/anticoagulation – Eliquis/coumadin/Xarelto – *we are in the process of harmonizing these across like registries – we appreciate your patience per CM*

III. Action Items (including QI projects):

- a. Continued discussion with Michael Spinosa regarding the supervised walking program. Reviewed survey questions for feedback.
- b. Discussion of use of WiFi scores
  - i. Winchester developed a dot phrase for WiFi documentation

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

- a. Associate Regional Medical Director – nominations will open Spring 2023

V. Next Meeting:

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

5:00pm-7:30pm ET

In conjunction with VQI@VAM at National Harbor, MD