

Society of Thoracic Surgeons

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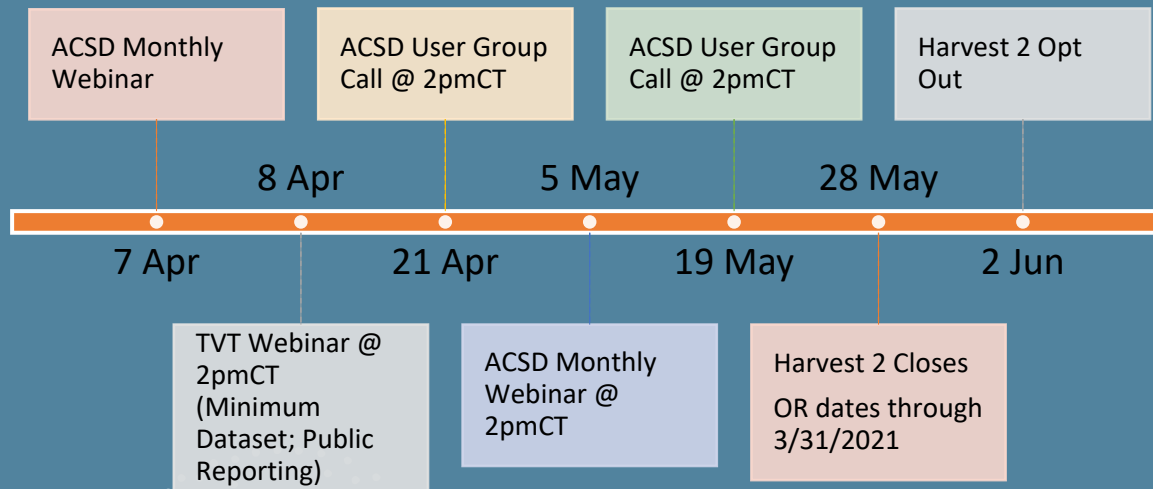
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Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- STS Important Dates
- IQVIA Update
- AQO Abstractions
- NQF Measures
- Q & A

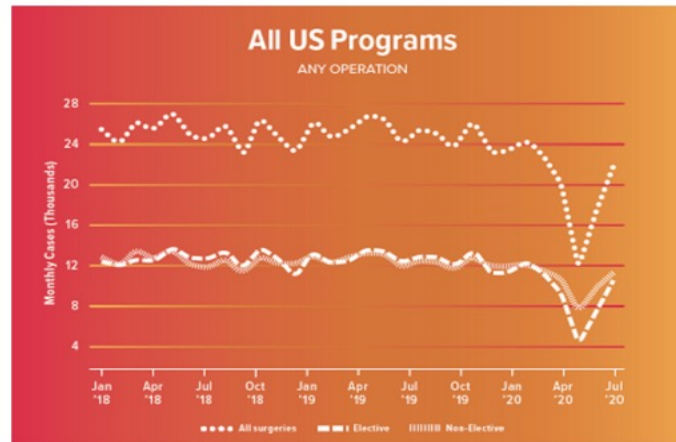
Important Dates for Adult Cardiac



COVID Data – Just Released



Pandemic Slows Down Heart Surgery, Cuts Volume in Half



STS News, Spring 2021 — In the past year, COVID-19 has altered or halted virtually every aspect of society, and the practice of cardiothoracic surgery has not been immune.

The abrupt cessation of surgery in mid-March 2020 had and will continue to have far-reaching implications, as the negative effects of canceled and postponed procedures emerge.

A recent, comprehensive analysis of data from the STS National Database illustrates the sharp reduction of adult cardiac surgery volumes during the first wave of the pandemic and also shows the resulting consequences on surgical outcomes.

This research—the first of its kind, according to study author Tom C. Nguyen, MD, from the University of California San Francisco—was presented during the Society's Annual Meeting in January.



IQVIA Update

Joe Brower

March 2021 MIPS 2020 Update

Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS)

2020 Update

The CMS MIPS 2020 Reporting Period was officially closed on March 31, 2021.

All approved submissions were successfully sent to CMS.

Per the Quality Payment Program website, final feedback will be available summer 2021.

For further information, please review the Quality Payment Program website - <https://qpp.cms.gov/>

March 2021 Release Updates Con't

The following updates were released the weekend of March 26, 2021.

NOTE: Updates are posted to the Notifications Section in the STS Platform.

ACSD Risk Adjusted and Regional Report Report Enhancement

STS-6008 –Regional Report Footer has been added to display the participant assigned region name; Total number of participants in the region; the Total number of cases for the region/procedure

Region Name: Illinois; # of Participants in the Region: 58; # of cases for Region/Procedure: 16651

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ACSD Risk Adjusted Report

STS-6188 - ACSD Risk Adjusted Report displayed cases that did not have Anti-lipid medications prescribed in the patient drill down. This is now resolved.

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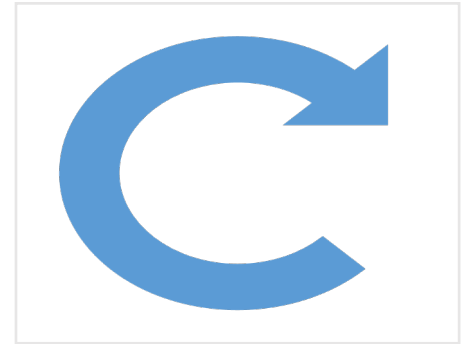
STS-5761 - ACSD Participant Dashboard Report reflects Catheter Based Assist Device When Inserted (**CathBasAssistWhen** SEQ 3760) as missing for cases when the field was disabled

STS-5831 - ACSD Participant Dashboard Report displaying ECMO initiated (**ECMOWhen** SEQ 3780) as missing when ECMO (ECMO SEQ 3775) was answered as No.

IQVIA Update



Please note: Submitted tickets are currently under review and the IQVIA support team will follow up on resolution and/or target release confirmation.



The IQVIA Team is currently reviewing items that will be released in an upcoming release. Those items will be posted to the Notifications section.



Do Not Fear, Abstract Season is Here!

Patty Theurer, MSN, RN



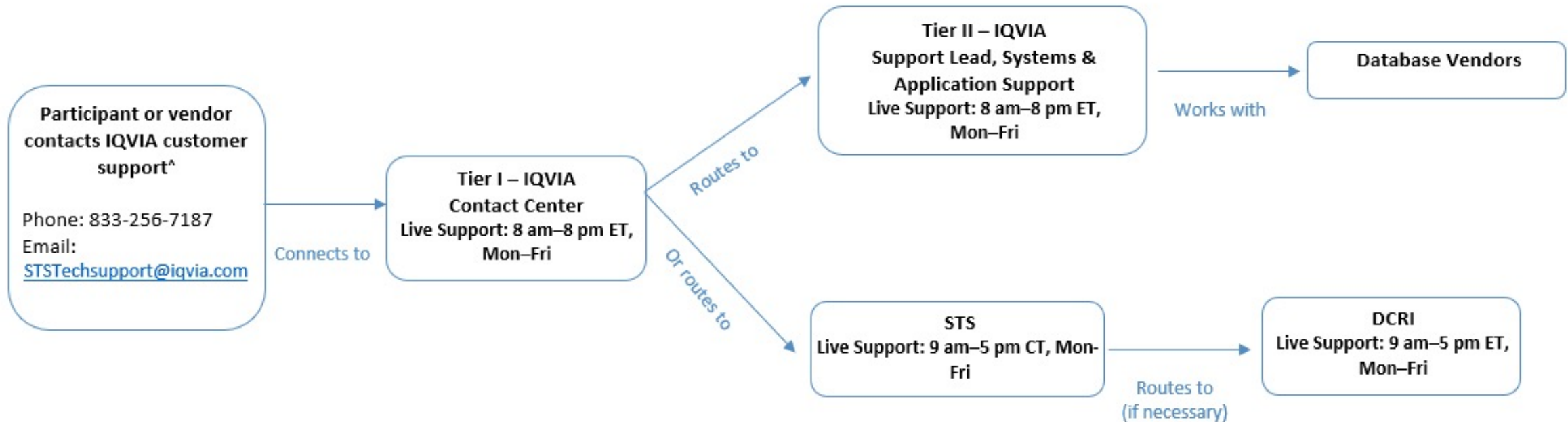
NQF MEASURES – Where Stars Come From



IQVIA Support Plan

IQVIA's Support Plan

Please include your Participant ID (PID) in all communications with STS and IQVIA

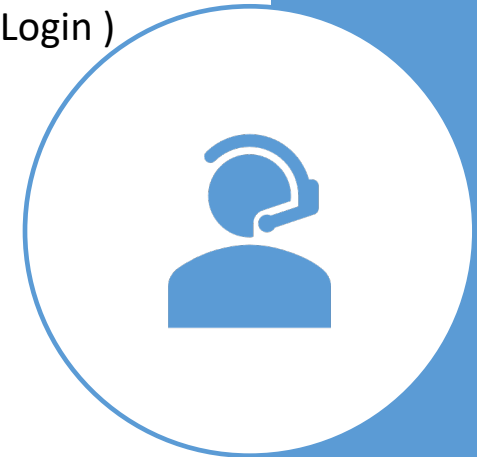


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Resources

- [STS National Database Webpage](#)
- STSTechSupport@IQVIA.com (Uploader, DQR, Missing Variable, Dashboard, Password and Login)
- Phone Support: 1-833-256-7187
- [STS National Database Feedback Form](#)
- Resource Documents
 - Contact Information
 - Webinar Information
 - FAQ Document
 - Go-Live Checklist
 - Tiered-level Support Document
 - *Training Videos*
 - *Link to IQVIA*
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Open Discussion

