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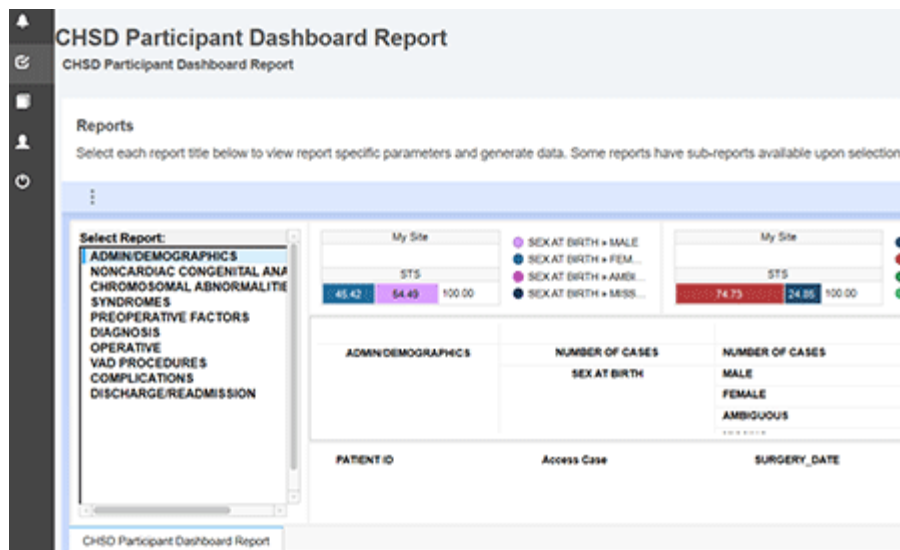


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The Next Generation Database Is Here

More than 2 years in the making, the CHSD component of the next generation STS National Database launched on Tuesday. The phase 1 rollout includes the CHSD uploader, data quality report (DQR), missing variable report, and harvest summary report. Additional enhancements to the DQR and missing variable report are being developed to ensure you have all of the important tools needed for your data submission. These enhancements will be available prior to the harvest deadline.

In order to help make the transition to the new database platform as seamless as possible, the Society has available a number of resources for you to use, including webinars that you can join to learn about Database updates and user group calls during which you can share your experiences, ideas, and feedback. Refer to the [STS National Database Webinars page](#) for the complete schedule, which includes recent updates. How-to videos, uploader instructions, and FAQs are available on the [Database Transition Resources page](#) of the STS website.



STS Public Reporting Online Initiatives

The next CHSD data refresh has been postponed to January 2021. The Society will use this time to review and enhance the public reporting website and provide overall formatting updates, including public reporting modifications as [announced in November 2019 by STS leadership](#).

Data Collection Updates

The latest [training manual \(v3.41\)](#)—published on the [CHSD Data Collection page](#)—was revised in June and contains important information to help with data abstraction. Updates are posted at the beginning of each month. (Note: The updates are shown as bookmarks and are easily seen using Internet Explorer. If you prefer to use Google Chrome or another browser, you may have to download the PDF and open the bookmarks manually in Adobe Acrobat.) Annotated Data Collection Forms were posted in May to include both of the COVID-19 variables.

Save the Date

The [2020 Advances in Quality & Outcomes \(AQO\) Meeting](#) will be held virtually this year. More information, including details on abstract submission, will be available soon. Data managers and STS National Database

participants are encouraged to finalize abstracts because submission will open soon. If you are interested in being a presenter or helping plan AQO, please contact Emily Conrad at econrad@sts.org. The meeting will be held September 29-October 2 with dedicated days for each registry. make sure your abstract is ready because submission will be open soon!

- Tuesday, September 29 – Intermacs/Pedimacs
- Wednesday, September 30 – General Thoracic
- Thursday, October 1 – Adult Cardiac
- **Friday, October 2 – Congenital**



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