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Annual Meeting Online Now Is Available

The rich content presented during the STS 58th Annual Meeting now is available on-demand through Annual Meeting Online. This product features nearly 40 educational sessions incorporating the latest research, technology, and best practices in all major cardiothoracic surgery disciplines. For those who registered for STS 2022, complimentary access to Annual Meeting Online was included with registration and is available via the [STS Learning Center](#). Those who weren't registered for the meeting can [purchase the product](#), with discounts for STS members.



Coding Workshop Content Is Ready to View

If you missed the 2022 STS Coding Workshop, the [digital archive is available](#) for purchase now. The course includes approximately 15 hours of video lectures and 7 hours of recorded Q&A with scenario-based questions and challenging coding

examples. Purchasers gain unlimited access to the course content until February 1, 2023. Continuing medical education or coding credits are available.



Harvest Reports Updated with Composite Measure, NIS Results

The GTSD Risk-Adjusted Dashboard Report for the Fall 2021 Harvest (OR dates through June 30, 2021) now includes participant results for the new primary lung cancer resection composite measure. Learn more about the composite in a [video presentation by Dr. Stephen Broderick](#).

In addition, the Fall 2021 Legacy Report calculations and Lobectomy STS/National Inpatient Sample (NIS) Compare section have been updated, the latter of which now includes 2019 NIS results. Notifications regarding these updates also are posted in IQVIA Notifications. An updated analyses overview document will be posted soon in the Library section of the [Database platform](#).

Don't Miss Upcoming GTSD Discussions

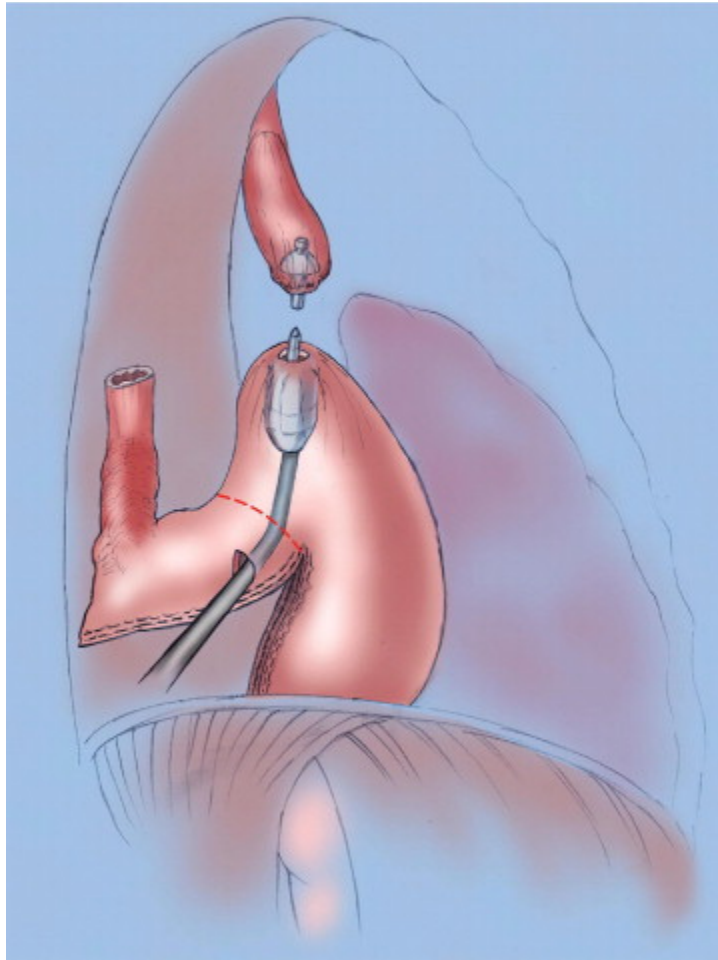
Exchange ideas with your colleagues and get your questions answered by experts in this month's scheduled meetings. Add these to your calendar:

- [GTSD Monthly Webinar, April 13 at 1:30 p.m. CT](#)
 - [GTSD User Group Call, April 27 at 2:30 p.m. CT](#)
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Help Patients Digest Information about Esophageal Disorders

If you interact with patients and families at your institution, you can be an important lifeline to vital information to help them understand their conditions and treatments. The STS patient website, ctsurgerypatients.org, is filled with easy-to-understand language and helpful illustrations, animations, and videos for explaining cardiothoracic conditions and procedures. The [Achalasia and Esophageal Motility Disorders](#) page, for example, describes potential causes and triggers for esophageal dysfunction and illustrates the various treatments available to help alleviate symptoms.

You can download and print handouts in [English](#) and [Spanish](#) to let your patients know about this important resource. Contact Jennifer Bagley at jbagley@sts.org with feedback or questions about the patient website.



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