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STS National Database News

INTERMACS & PEDIMACS



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Now Is the Best Time to Register for AQO

Discounted early bird registration is available through August 26 for the [2022 Advances in Quality Outcomes \(AQO\): A Data Managers Meeting](#) in Providence, Rhode Island. You have options to register for one or multiple in-person tracks—Wednesday, October 26, features a track devoted to InterMACS and PediMACS—or choose a virtual pass to get access to digital content. [Register your team](#) and [book your hotel rooms](#) today. And keep in mind:

- [STS members](#), including non-physician associate members, save even more.
- You can [request a justification letter](#), signed by STS President Dr. John Calhoun, explaining to your supervisor the value of AQO attendance.



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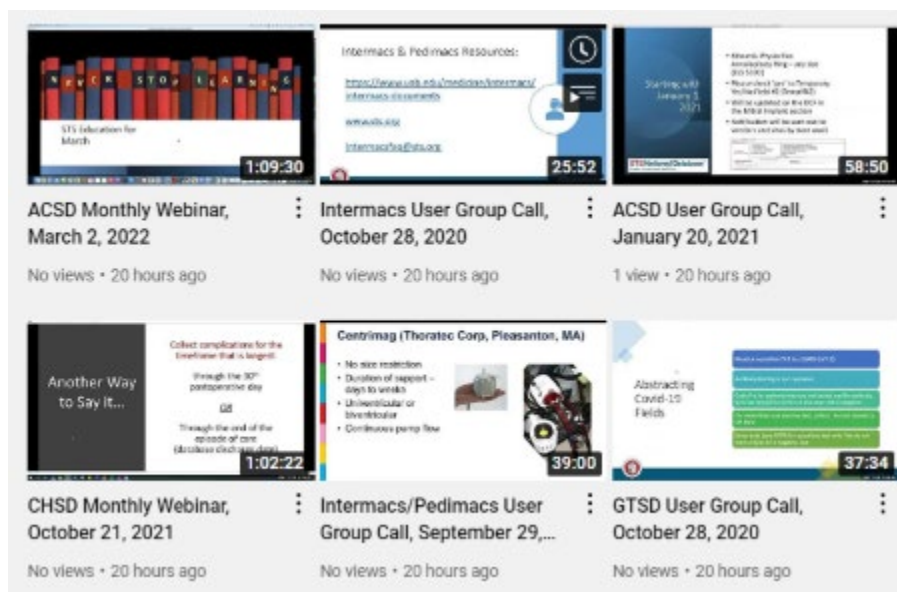
The graphic features a central illustration of a human torso with a heart, lungs, and a computer monitor, surrounded by colorful geometric shapes. The text and logos are positioned to the right and bottom of the illustration.

Share Your Talent: Mentor a Colleague

You don't need decades of experience to make a big difference among your fellow data managers. Mentees from the [STS National Database Mentorship Program](#) are waiting to be paired with knowledgeable Intermacs and Pedimacs users who can provide tips, guidance, and troubleshooting. You'll be matched according to your areas of expertise, and STS will facilitate an ongoing learning relationship. [Apply to be a mentor.](#)

STS National Database Has Its Own YouTube Channel

Data managers and participating surgeons now can access webinars, user group calls, and other recordings on a [YouTube channel](#) dedicated exclusively to the STS National Database. The channel provides a rich library of resources for users to stay abreast of the latest updates and learn best practices for data entry and coding. Subscribe and opt in for notifications on the latest videos.



Nominate an Outstanding Coordinator for the Wissman Award

Know a VAD coordinator who's dependable, helpful to the team, and is making a positive impact on the lives of patients and families? Nominate them for the [Sherri Ann Wissman Memorial Excellence Award](#), to be presented during AQO 2022. The

deadline is September 30—submit your nomination soon to show your appreciation for an outstanding colleague.

***Annals Short Reports* Spotlights Quick, Accessible Original Research**

The Annals of Thoracic Surgery recently launched [Annals Short Reports](#)—its new fully open access companion journal. This e-only publication provides a contemporary venue for authors to present their research in a digestible format, and it's supported by the same expert *Annals* Editorial Board. The journal [now is accepting submissions](#).



August 31 Webinar Welcomes New Data Managers

New Intermacs and Pedimacs participants—or those looking to brush up on the Database—are encouraged to join STS support staff, data experts, and surgeon leaders on **Wednesday, August 31**, for a live webinar that explains the fundamentals of the STS National Database, including data entry, reporting deadlines, and overviews of the Dashboard and analytical tools. [Add the event to your calendar](#) and [join the call](#).

Free-Access Brochure Helps Patients Navigate Their Heart Surgery Recovery

Developed by expert cardiothoracic surgeons, the STS brochure “[What to Expect After Heart Surgery](#)” is available for you and your patients to download and print for free. If you interact with patients at your institution, having this brochure on hand is an excellent way for you to offer them guidance and support. It’s currently available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, Arabic, and Hindi.

This brochure is offered among the resources available at the STS patient website, ctsurgerypatients.org. You also can download handouts in [English](#) and [Spanish](#) to let your patients know about the site. Contact Jennifer Bagley at jbagley@sts.org with feedback or questions.



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