



Society of Thoracic Surgeons

General Thoracic Surgery Database
Monthly Webinar

January 10, 2024

Agenda

- Welcome and Introduction
- STS Updates
- Education (Ruth Raleigh, GTSD Consultant)
- Q&A

STS Updates

- January Training Manual to be posted by 1/12
 - Supplemental Neoadjuvant Training Manual to be posted February
- Fall 2023 Harvest Analysis complete and reports posted
 - STS communication sent to Participants 11/21
 - Report related questions should be directed to stsdb_helpdesk@sts.org
 - Updated Analyses Overview posted in IQVIA Library (Dated **Nov 17 2023**)
- GTSD Public Reporting
 - Next update is scheduled to take place the first week of February and will include results from the Fall 23 analysis.
- Spring 24 Harvest is underway
 - Surgery dates 1/1/2021 – 12/31/2023

GTSD					
Harvest	Close	Opt-Out	Includes procedures performed through	Report Posting	Comments
Spring 2024	March 8	March 12	December 31,2023	Summer 2024	Star Rating
Fall 2024	September 6	September 10	June 30, 2024	Winter 2024	Star Rating

2024 Harvest Schedule




2024 AQO: A Data Managers Meeting

- Join us in Music City: Nashville, Tennessee
- September 10 - 13



STS Education
Ruth Raleigh
(GTSD Consultant)



Seq 1620: Clinical Staging Methods

Jan 2024: CT Guided Biopsies performed within 4 months of any treatment can be captured as 'CT'.



Seq 650: History of Cancer

- Co-existing cancer now includes synchronous primary cancers

~~• **Sept 2023:** Patients returning to the OR for a new primary lung cancer after being treated for lung cancer in the prior year are not considered to have a ‘coexisting cancer’. This aligns with the exclusion of patients with synchronous primary lung cancers (2e above). Strikethrough added Jan 2024~~



Sequence 4290: Substance Use Screening

- Screened + positive answers + counseling given = Yes to 4290
- Screened + negative answers = Yes to 4290 (no counseling required)
- Not screened = No to 4290
- Screened + positive answer + NO counseling given = No to 4290

Shout out to Ann Higgins for the summary. 😊

Upcoming GTSD Webinars

Monthly Webinars

- February 14 @ 2:30pm – 3:30pm CT
- March 13 @ 2:30pm-3:30pm CT
- April 10 @ 2:30pm – 3:30pm CT



Open Discussion



Please use the Q&A Function.



We will answer as many questions as possible.



We encourage your feedback and want to hear from you!

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Database Operational
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(Database Participation,
Contracts, etc.)

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THANK YOU FOR JOINING!