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COVID-19 Resources Available

To help navigate the challenges of the evolving health care environment, the Society has made available various webpages and resources, including:

- [An STS National Database COVID-19 Updates page](#) that shares COVID-related updates regarding delayed harvests, public reporting, and data collection
 - [A COVID-19 Resources page](#) that includes relevant information and resources from a variety of organizations and entities
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Additional Data Field Launch

To capture COVID-19 data, additional fields will be available beginning **Thursday, April 30**. The data fields will be reflected on the following forms: pre-implant, follow-up, infection, and death.

Live Webinars

View a full schedule of upcoming database webinars and call-in information on the [STS National Database Webinars page](#). Registration is not required for the webinars, but you will need to sign in with your name and email address to participate. The webinars will be recorded and available online within 48 hours.

Submit Report Confirmations

Quality Assurance and Data Quality Reports for Q4 recently were distributed. If you have any questions, [review these FAQs](#). All Data Quality Report confirmations should be sent to Maceo Cleggett, Clinical Data Analyst from the University of Alabama at Birmingham Data Warehouse, at maceocleggett@uabmc.edu. The reports include additional changes requested by sites. Some of the additions include:

- Neurological event category breakdown
- Neurological event breakouts
- Patient percent on all rates
- Table for competing outcomes with estimates at multiple time points

Save the Date

The [2020 Advances in Quality & Outcomes \(AQO\) Meeting](#) will be held virtually this year. More information will be available soon. Data managers and STS National Database participants are encouraged to begin thinking about quality improvement projects that can be completed over the next few months so that the results can be submitted as abstracts. Abstract submission will begin in the next few weeks. If you are interested in being a presenter or helping plan AQO, please contact Emily Conrad at econrad@sts.org.



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