

# Society of Thoracic Surgeons

Adult Cardiac  
User Group Call

April 15, 2020



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# Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Call Overview
- STS Updates
- IQVIA Updates
- User Feedback
  - Include Ticket Number/Case Number



# STS Updates

- AQO 2020 – GOING VIRUTAL
- ACSD v4.20
  - Go-live is planned for July 1
    - Decrease in data burden
    - Avoid overlap with other upgrades
    - Version 4.20.2
  - Training Manual Expected in May
  - Worksheets Expected in June
    - Sites can customize their worksheets or make their own from the DCF



# Covid-19 Update



## Code NO

- Patients who are not tested
- Patients who are tested for Covid-19 and that test is negative

## Code YES

- Patients who test positive for Covid-19
  - Prior to hospitalization for this surgery
  - In hospital, prior to surgery
  - In hospital, after surgery
  - After discharge, within 30 days of surgery
- Patients who report they tested positive for Covid-19 after discharge within 30 days of surgery. Verify that the test was specific to Covid-19.
- If the patient was tested within 30 days but the result comes back after 30 days, still code this as within 30 days.

# Covid-19 Data Collection



Did the patient have a laboratory confirmed diagnosis of Covid-19? ☐ No (Harvest Code 10)  
**TempCode (7230)** ☐ Yes, prior to hospitalization for this surgery (Harvest Code 11)  
☐ Yes, in hospital prior to surgery (Harvest Code 12)  
☐ Yes, in hospital after surgery (Harvest Code 13)  
☐ Yes, after discharge within 30 days of surgery (Harvest Code 14)

**STS Temporary Fields**

☒ Temporary Yes/No Field #1

☐ Temporary Yes/No Field #2

Temporary Date Field:

~~1/14/2020~~

Temporary Coded Field:


10

Temporary Text Field:

~~Covid19~~

? Temporary Yes/No Field #1 (4050: TempYN1) ~~Unspecified~~ ▼

? Temporary Yes/No Field #2 (4060: TempYN2) ~~Unspecified~~ ▼

? Temporary Date Field (4070: TempDt)  

? Temporary Coded Field (4080: TempCode) ~~-- Unspecified --~~ ▼

? Temporary Text Field (4090: TempText)



# Coronavirus Strands

## Common Strands

- 229E (alpha coronavirus)
- NL63 (alpha coronavirus)
- OC43 (beta coronavirus)
- HKU1 (beta coronavirus)

## Other Human Strands

- MERS-CoV (the beta coronavirus that causes Middle East Respiratory Syndrome, MERS)
- SARS-CoV (the beta coronavirus that causes Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome, SARS)
- SARS-CoV-2 (the novel coronavirus that causes Covid-19)

THIS IS THE ONLY STRAND TO  
BE COLLECTED FOR THE STS  
DATABASES



# Covid-19 Field Update

- Cardiac Rehab Phase II
- Continue to educate your patients regarding the importance of CR Phase II
- IN ADDITION TO WHAT IS IN THE TRAINING MANUAL
  - Code YES
    - Documented education provided on CR activities / exercises to be completed at home
    - Documented advice given on the importance of joining a CR Phase II program, even if cardiac rehab program is closed
    - Documented advice given on the importance of joining CR phase II program
  - Code NA
    - Documented advice given on the importance of joining a CR Phase II program, cardiac rehab is open, however the patient is documented to not be a candidate for CR Phase II due to elevated risk of Covid-19 exposure
  - Code NO
    - No discussion occurred regarding CR Phase II



# Cardiac Rehab Phase II

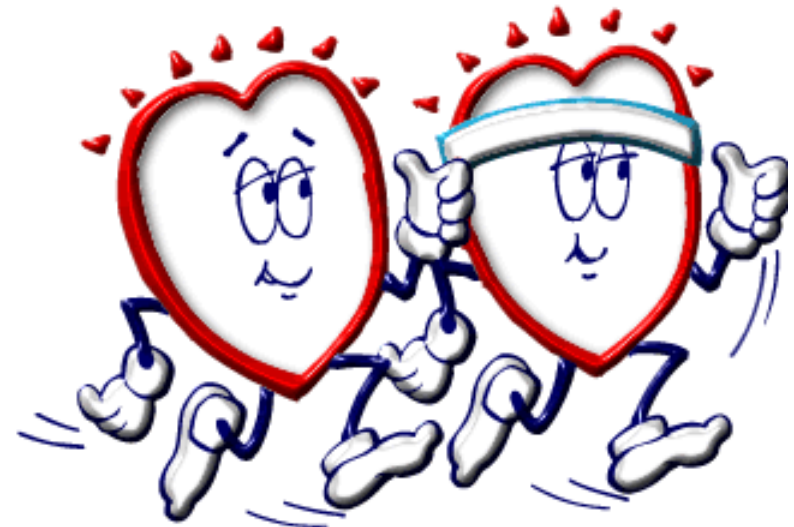
## Intent/Clarification:

Identify those patients who are referred to post discharge cardiac reconditioning and rehabilitation. Do not count Phase I, in hospital rehab, as "Yes". **Time frame for Cardiac Rehab referral is at or prior to discharge.**

Patients who are clinically, mentally or emotionally inappropriate for a referral, should be identified as "Not Applicable". **Update Nov 2019 - Patients sent to rehab / transitional care/ SNF with plans to return home are not included in this category.**

**Update January 2020 - This is a Joint Commission endpoint and is to be documented on every patient. NQF 0643 - Outpatient Cardiac Rehab (OPCR) is required for patients who had had Coronary Artery Bypass Graft, Percutaneous Coronary Intervention, Cardiac Valve surgery, Cardiac Transplant or Acute Myocardial Infarction.**

Cardiac rehabilitation programs are many times free standing or external to an acute



# Current Status Update



# IQVIA Status

- Primary Uploader Reported Issues
  - Reports of records being dropped during the upload process (i.e. 20 of 21 records and no feedback is provided)
    - Issue is not occurring for all users
    - The examples vary with this issue –if encountered please contact the support team to provide your specific example
  - File Structure Errors
    - Issue is file specific – various items cause this error to display
    - Reviewing solution to enhance the feedback provided to end users to indicate the cause of the file structure response



# IQVIA Status

- DQR Validation Checks
  - Ongoing review and corrections/updates planned for future application upgrade
- ACSD MVR Report Corrections
  - Ongoing review and corrections/updates planned for future application upgrade
- ACSD Dashboard Calculation Corrections
  - Ongoing review and updates planned for future application upgrade
- STS ID's will be listed within the Notifications section after the upgrade is completed.

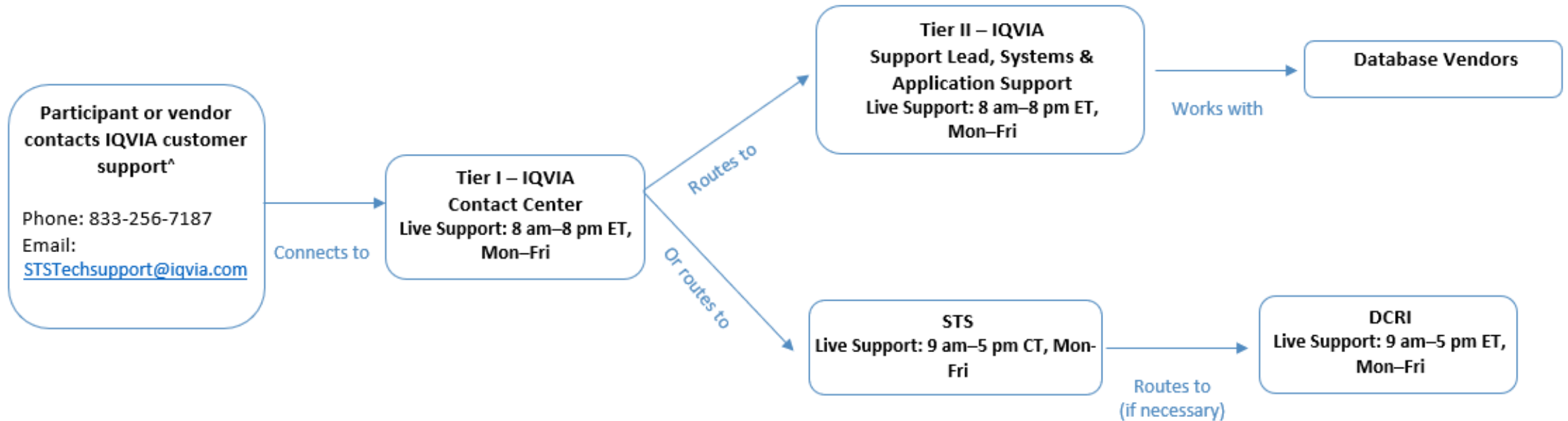


# IQVIA Status - Enhancements

- Uploader Performance Enhancements
  - Processing speed to be increased during the upload workflow
- Report Enhancements
  - ACSD Dashboard updates
    - Data Variable additions
      - Identify existing variables for report inclusion
      - 4.20.2 variables for report inclusion
  - ACSD MVR updates
    - Report layout updates
      - Shortname column to be added to the Case List section of the report
      - Updates to layout of Missing Summary section



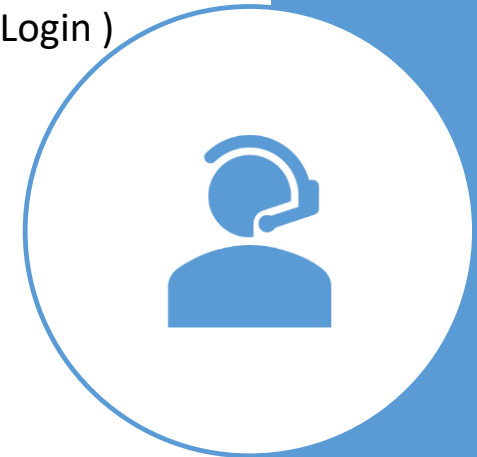
# IQVIA's Support Plan



^ Inquiries received outside live support hours will require a 24-hour turnaround window (i.e., one business day) for responses.

# Resources

- [STS National Database Webpage](#)
- [STSTechSupport@IQVIA.com](mailto:STSTechSupport@IQVIA.com) (Uploader, DQR, Missing Variable, Dashboard, Password and Login )
- Phone Support: 1-833-256-7187
- [STS National Database Feedback Form](#)
- Resource Documents
  - Contact Information
  - Webinar Information
  - FAQ Document
  - Go-Live Checklist
  - Tiered-level Support Document
  - *Training Videos*
  - *Link to IQVIA*
  - ckrohn@sts.org



# 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!

Thank you for joining!

## Next ACSD Webinars

April 30, 2020

- v4.20.2 Webinar @ 2pmCT

May 6, 2020

- ACSD Monthly Webinar @ 2pmCT

