

Society of Thoracic Surgeons

General Thoracic Surgery Database User Group Call

August 26, 2020



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Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- STS Update
- AQO
- IQVIA Update
- Q&A - Please submit using the Q&A function





STS Update

GTSD Spring and Fall 2020 Harvest Update

- Update on Spring 2020 Harvest Analysis
 - Email communication sent to GTSD Community on 8/5
 - Analysis underway and all results will be provided as soon as possible
 - Educational webinars on navigating new dashboard to be provided
- Fall 2020 Harvest Deadline coming next month
 - Submission deadline: Friday, September 18th
 - Opt-Out date: Tuesday, September 22nd

STS Update, cont'd

- GTSD Data Version 5.21 Update
 - STS/IQVIA creating Data Specs
 - Goal is to have specs to vendors by end of August
 - DCF finalized (minor edits/cleanup continues)
 - Create Training Manual
 - 5.21 Upgrade Webinars
- Direct Data Entry
 - Now available for GTSD Participants
 - Email STSDB@STS.ORG for details
- New Data Manager Webinar
 - Was held on 7/30
 - Recording/Slide deck posted



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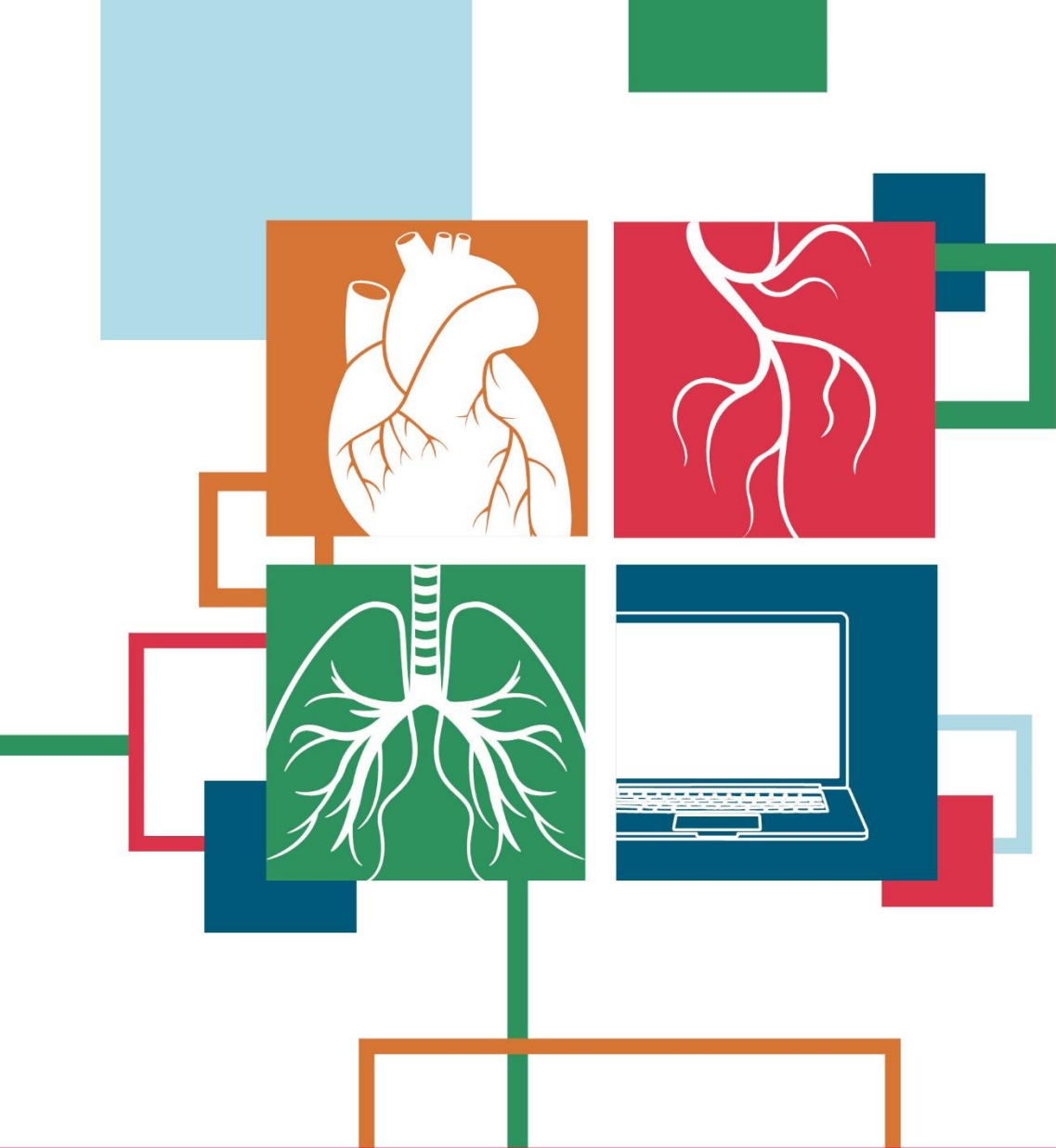
Harvest Nearing Close Checklist

- Run internal software validation reports
 - Complete prior to each data file submission
- DQR Review
 - Address any critical errors (records not accepted into the database)
 - Critical Summary Report is generated based on the **date(s) of data file submission** (not surgery date range).
 - Review errors/warnings
- Review Harvest Summary Report
 - Report is generated based on the **surgery date** range entered
 - Review each data file submission DQR in one report
 - Able to review by year(s); reporting period
 - Have the current GTSD “Known Issues and Updates” document handy
 - Document located under Notifications tab

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Harvest Nearing Close Checklist

- Review Missing Variable Report (MVR)
 - Report is generated based on **surgery date** range entered
 - Able to review by year(s); reporting period
 - Prioritize your final clean-up efforts
 - Risk model variables (Report Overview/Interpretation Guide)
 - Mortality variables (MtDCStat and Mt30Stat)
- Dashboard Review
 - Confirm Mortalities (Discharge section)

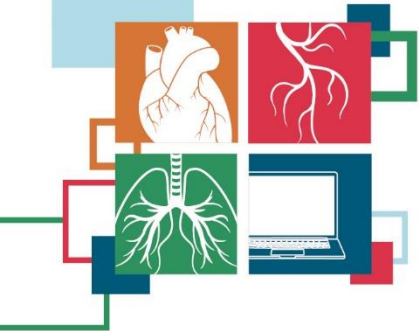


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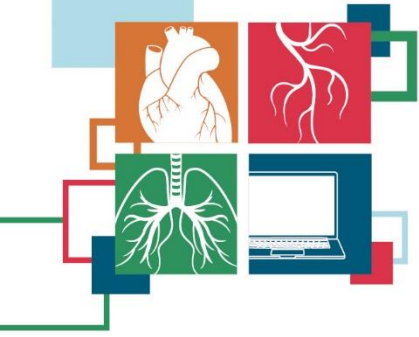
**Receive Early Bird
Registration
Pricing through
Monday,
September 7, 2020.**

Pricing

	Member		Non-Member	
	Early Bird	After Sept. 7	Early Bird	After Sept. 7
Tuesday, September 29: Intermacs/Pedimacs	\$75	\$150	\$100	\$200
Wednesday, September 30: General Thoracic	\$75	\$150	\$100	\$200
Thursday, October 1: Adult Cardiac	\$75	\$150	\$100	\$200
Friday, October 2: Congenital	\$75	\$150	\$100	\$200
Multiday or All Days	\$150	\$300	\$200	\$400



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On the AQO Webpage you will find the following information:

- Request Justification Letter
- AQO Overall Objectives
- Preliminary Program
- Link to Registration or Mail-In Form
- Link to Abstract Submission

Contact **Emily Conrad** at econrad@sts.org with any Questions.

Continuing Education Credits

STS is partnering with Corexcel to offer Nursing CEs and Perfusion CEUs. The number of available CEs and instructions for claiming credit will be shared closer to the event.

Virtual Platform

AQO will offer both on-demand and live sessions. There will be an opportunity to ask questions through a Q&A function.



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IQVIA Update

Joe Brower & Melanie Bent



GTSD Release Items – August 2020

The IQVIA platform was upgraded from version 1.30 to version 1.31.

The below items were released August 2, 2020.

- STS-3219 – Harvest Summary Report showing race not documented for earlier demogversions
- STS-3032 – GTSD Missing Variable Report – the percentage displays as a grey box with no percent value and total case count does not appear
- STS-3313 – Onscreen guidance added for GTSD Direct Data Entry Users on the Uploader Interface
- STS-3347 – GTSD Direct Data Entry - Errors persisted in the Operative tab even after a response was provided



Upcoming Release – September 2020

The following items are targeted for release on September 12, 2020.

Missing Variable Report

- STS-2411 – GTSD Missing Variable Report – Patient Middle name should not be reported as missing per data spec guidance
- STS-2993 - MVR displaying variables from previous version of form

Data Quality Report and Harvest Summary Report

- STS-3366 - CategorySecond triggering as an error for v2.3 records, when it was not required (updating the logic to handle identified scenario)



Issues Currently Under Review – Target Release TBD

The following items are currently under review.

Missing Variable Report

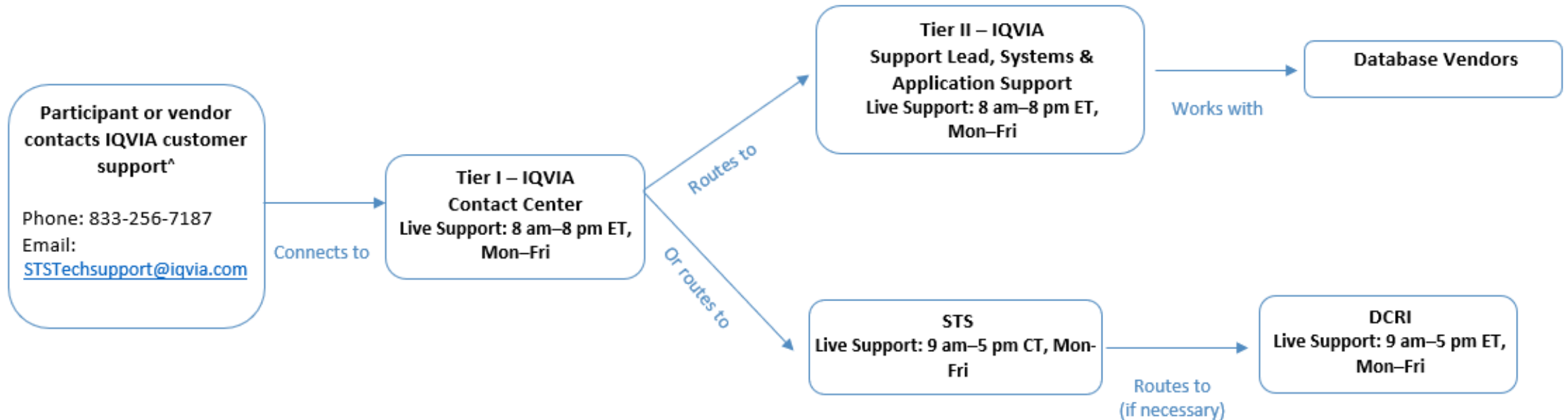
- STS-3656 (duplicate of STS-3624) – MVR including data elements that are not required – CLINSTAGESOPHEBUS, CLINSTAGESOPHMEDIA
- STS-3645 – GTSD MVR Several variables are identified as missing (further review of the .dat file for specific site/this is not impacting all sites)
- STS-3686 – Missing Variable data element for Patient Participating in STS-Related Clinical Trial



STS/IQVIA Support Plan



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 (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*

Contact Information

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- Database Operational Questions
 - STSDB@sts.org



Next GTSD Webinars

Monthly Webinar

- September 9 @ 1:30 CT

User Group Call

- September 23 @ 2:30pm 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!