Access to Quality
Aortic Stenosis Care

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• Who are we?
  – Why we are doing this?
  – What are our motivations and interests?

• How do we feel about the technology?
  – We celebrate it!
  – Especially its improvement!
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• Valvular Heart Disease is Complex
  – Complex patients
  – Complex options
  – Complex care teams

• Experience matters
  – Of the technical operator
  – Of the team
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• What does Patient Centered Care mean?
  – Access to all options
    • Medical (is intervention indicated?)
    • Surgical (eg SAVR)
    • Catheter-based intervention (eg TAVR)
  – Access to a competent care team
  – Attention to the patient’s own individual preferences
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• How do we ensure quality?
  – Do we assume quality?
    • Do the data support this assumption?
    • What is the risk – to the patient – of assumption?
  – Or do we expect evidence of quality?
  – And which populations are at greatest risk?
  – Who is most vulnerable?
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• The recommendations made by this interdisciplinary team of physicians will ensure access to quality, patient centered care for all