

Quality, Safety, and Value (QSV) Committee

Committee Charge

The mission of the SCA QSV Committee is to identify and create synergy between the Society and other professional/affiliate societies to engage in quality improvement development in the perioperative arena of cardiac and thoracic surgery.

The goals of the SCA QSV Committee are to enhance development of resources to optimize the implementation of quality improvement programs to enhance patient Safety and the value of care provided with systematic approaches to developing, improving, promulgating, and adopting quality Improvement programs and techniques.

Assist members in their quality improvement implementation at their local hospital and hospital system level.

Assist members in enhancing the value that cardio-thoracic anesthesiology brings to the perioperative arena through quality improvement, and safety initiatives.

Understand the economic factors influencing value in the perioperative arena.

Promote the value that cardio-thoracic anesthesiologists bring to the perioperative arena.

Work to educate the members in the utilization and management of established databases, dashboards, and metrics in the perioperative arena.

Work to educate and advise the Board of Directors and membership on economic and governmental affair issues that impact cardio-thoracic anesthesiologists.

Grow the relationship between the SCA, other Anesthesia Societies, and other professional and affiliate medical societies in effort to leverage the overall involvement of cardiac and thoracic anesthesiologist in the implementation of quality/safety/value in the perioperative arena.

Grow relationships between the SCA and the National Quality Forum and international governmental groups/agencies involved in quality/safety/value development.

Provide input to the SCA Scientific Program Committee suggesting content for the SCA Annual Meeting.

2025-26 Benchmarks

(Action items for upcoming year)

1. Continue to create QI content as prescribed by cardiac boards for SCA University
2. Establish plan for QI webinar collaboration between SCA and ASA

3. Work on SCA/STS Multidisciplinary Staffing Solutions survey and pursue publication and/or presentation of data.
4. Participate in STS (or AATS) meetings and continue to foster multidisciplinary collaborations
5. Work on creation of QI chapter in Kaplan's cardiac anesthesia.

2025-26 Committee Members

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