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Pediatric Surgery Quality Collaborative Newsletter

Hello all and Happy 2022! As I mentioned in our last newsletter, we are on the cusp of launching our second PSQC project centered on reducing the use of CT scans post operatively in complicated appendicitis cases. Coupled with that aim will be an exploration of the incidence of OS/SSIs and CT scans. We will get started on this project as soon as we have the most current data NSQIP SAR. Dr. Monica Lopez of Vanderbilt and Dr. Derek Wakeman of Golisano in Rochester will share the leadership responsibilities of this project. If you would be interested in being on this working group, please email Terry.

Our third project will be around antibiotic stewardship, capitalizing on the data sites began submitting to NSQIP in January 2021. Dr. Shawn Rangel from Boston Children's will be our lead. We anticipate starting to recruit workgroup members in late fall of this year as we expect the first reports to be available early next year.

Also in this newsletter is our call for project submissions for the PSQC to tackle. These are wholly organic and do not rely on data from NSQIP. We look forward to a robust response from our membership and hope to cultivate several meaningful projects from your suggestions.

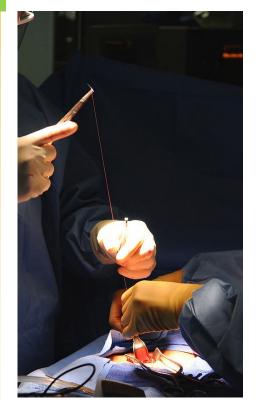
Finally, keep an eye out for information on our first in-person meeting on Wednesday, May 11th, at the APSA National Conference in San Diego in May. We are hoping to also have a meeting of the collaborative either before or after the ACS quality meeting in Chicago in July.

As always, thank you for your continued interest and support of the PSQC.

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