

# SCSQC Participant Requirements

Each site must identify a surgeon lead and an abstractor who will ensure completion of the following:

## A. Caseload and Data Contribution Requirements.

- Achieving and maintaining statistical viability of Data necessitates caseload volume, which is based on a repeating and rotating 8-day cycle over a 12-month period, which yields 46 cycles per year;
- Sites expected to supply Data for 42 of the 46 cycles, with 4 cycles allotted for vacation;
- Each 8-day cycle, the Surgical Clinical Quality Reviewer must identify and abstract Data for the first eligible 25 cases, equaling 1050 cases per year ( $42 \times 25 = 1050$ );
- All cases for a given cycle must be followed through post-operative day 30 for post-op morbidity and mortality. A 30-day follow up rate of less than 80% can jeopardize Data viability; and
- Direct patient and/or provider contact may be needed to ensure 30-day follow up is complete and accurate.
- SCSQC strongly recommends each Participant have a secondary/alternate Surgical Clinical Quality Reviewer.

## B. Minimum Participation Requirements.

- Each Participant shall maintain a minimum level of active participation in SCSQC as measured by that certain SCSQC Performance Index Scorecard, as promulgated, amended and updated by HSHI on a periodic basis, in consultation with the Participants.
- Each Participant shall provide overall leadership for the SCSQC at the local facility level.
- Each Participant shall champion quality improvement activities within its surgery department.
- Each Participant shall assist with clinical practice guideline development for SCSQC.
- Each Participant shall assist its Data abstractor with Data capture issues.
- Each Participant shall review and discuss the objectives of the SCSQC program with peers and hospital leaders.
- Each Participant shall develop and lead a surgical quality committee to address local issues related to quality and the SCSQC.

## C. Security Access.

- Data of each Participant shall be entered into the SQI Data Exchange via a secure browser-based workstation (QC Metrix).
- Each Participant and its End Users shall access the SQI Data Exchange only through the SCSQC private website.
- Individual login access shall be managed by the Surgical Clinical Quality Reviewer and/or Site Surgical Lead for each Participant.