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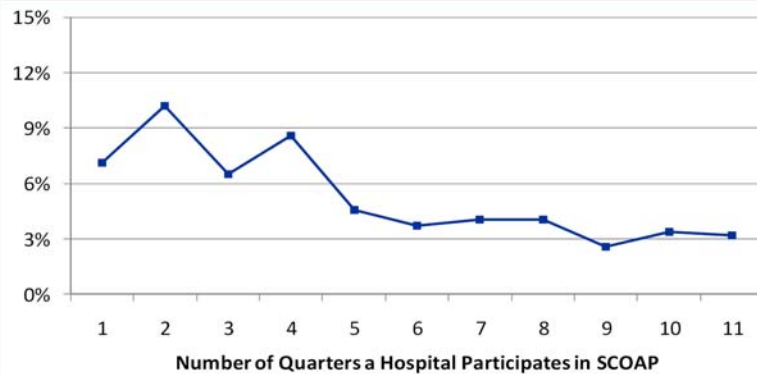
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SCOAP is the future of surgical quality improvement. It is a physician-led, voluntary collaborative creating an aviation-like surveillance and response system for surgical quality. SCOAP's goal is to improve quality by reducing variation in process of care and outcomes at every hospital in the region.

SCOAP Making a Difference

SCOAP Hospitals in Washington State Show **Reduction** in the Rate of Reoperative Complications in Colorectal Surgery – **Quality Improves** with Each Quarter Participating

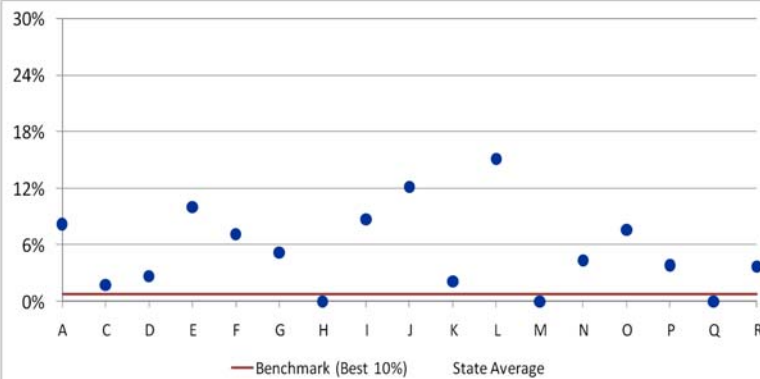


With These Improvements, an Estimated 350 Patients Avoided Reoperative Complications, Including Emergency Colostomy, and the Healthcare Systems Saved \$3-4 Million in Unnecessary Costs.

Washington State hospitals can still improve....

SCOAP Hospitals (A-R) Still Show **Significant Variation** in Rates of Reoperative Complications in Colorectal Surgery.

Do You Know Which Hospital is Yours?



To learn which hospital is yours on the above chart or to ask questions about your data report, please contact Rosa Johnson at (206) 682-2811 x 20 or rjohnson@qualityhealth.org.

SCOAP Marches Across Washington State

33RD HOSPITAL JOINS SCOAP!

SCOAP is proud to welcome its 33rd member, Morton General Hospital, in Morton, Washington. Morton General is a 25-bed critical access hospital that has served the Morton area since 1937. Morton General joins 32 other hospitals from around the state of Washington in this clinician-led, voluntary collaborative that links hospitals across the state to increase the use of best practices in surgical care. SCOAP's goal is to provide the kind of surveillance of procedures and response to negative outcomes that exists in the world of aviation. Now in its third year, SCOAP's membership represents over 80% of the general surgical care in Washington State. To see a list of SCOAP and non-SCOAP hospitals or to learn more about SCOAP, [visit the SCOAP website](#).

What Can SCOAP Do For You?

MOC Part IV

The American Board of Surgery requires compliance with the [Maintenance of Certification \(MOC\) program](#) if you certify or recertify after July 1, 2005. MOC Part 4, which calls for participation in a national, regional or local surgical outcomes database or quality assessment program, can be fulfilled by participating in SCOAP! Sign up to complete your MOC Part 4 requirement through SCOAP today by [clicking here](#).



"One of the biggest returns of our SCOAP membership has been the knowledge that SCOAP data will qualify for our MOC information."

*-Steve Cabrales, MD,
SCOAP Champion at St. John
Medical Center, Longview, WA*

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