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SCOAP Community Speaks Up Albumin Testing

Our colleagues at Providence Regional Medical Center in Everett want to know why SCOAP surgeons have been measuring and reporting preoperative serum albumin levels. SCOAP measures two things-whether serum albumin is tested, and whether patients having elective colon or rectal resections (for non-cancer diagnoses) have a low albumin. [Read more...](#)

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SCOAP Making A Difference: A Look at the Data Albumin Testing

SCOAP data show widespread variation in how often our member hospitals perform elective colorectal resections (for non-cancer diagnoses) among patients with malnutrition.



SCOAP data also show that lower albumin predicts adverse events. Many SCOAP hospitals are trying to improve nutritional status prior to surgery (see this month's [SCOAP Community Speaks Up](#)). Click the chart above for a look at the data.

To learn which hospital is yours or to ask a question about your data report, please contact Rosa Johnson (206-682-2811 x20 or rjohnson@qualityhealth.org).

SCOAP Reports Available Online

Your SCOAP reports are now available online through the SCOAP website and SCOAP data vendor ARMUS. [Read more](#) to access a sample report...

Mark Your Calendars

Checklist Celebration & Annual Retreat

Please join us on Monday, March 22, 6pm, at the Museum of Flight in Seattle to celebrate successes of the **SCOAP Surgical Checklist** campaign over the past year and to gear up for the coming year. RSVP for this event to lawreso@uw.edu.

This year's **SCOAP Retreat** will be held on Tuesday, May

4 at the Hilton Seattle Airport & Conference Center (17620 International Blvd, Seatac, WA). Special guest [Dr. Atul Gawande](#) will be the keynote speaker. Please stay tuned for further details and information on registration.

About Us

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.



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