

RES-Q UPDATE MARCH 2017

With the inaugural [official RES-Q data collection](#) period beginning yesterday (March 1st, 2017), we wanted to provide a brief update for the project, and the improvements we are currently working on.

- We [finalized the preliminary round of data collection](#) representing November 2016 in the middle of February. Participation was excellent, and everyone's feedback was greatly appreciated. We are looking forward to building on that success with this round.
- RES-Q is growing rapidly; with the new sites that have joined in the past month we have now reached an enrollment of [200 sites in 23 countries](#).
- We have several [site improvements](#) planned for this month, and we are always interested in feedback from all RES-Q participants.

March 1st, 2017 marks the first official data collection period for the RES-Q project.

The most important update is a reminder that official data collection has started, so please make sure all of your participating sites are aware of this and are collecting their data starting from March 1st, 2017.

- We are always working to [improve the experience](#) for users of RES-Q, so please continue to contact us with all of your feedback, comments, and any bugs you encounter.
- We want to continue to make data entry easier for sites, so we are adding more [translations](#) for both the questionnaire and the website itself. If you haven't already submitted a translation for your local language, please do so and we will get it added as soon as possible.
- Finally, to facilitate data oversight in your individual countries, we will be adding a new ["monitor" user role](#). This will allow designated country representative to review the data collection progress for all sites within their country, as well as to download the data collected by the country sites. This role will become available by the end of March, 2017.

With these goals in mind, we would ask for the following assistance from all of the national coordinators:

- Please continue to contact us about any comments or bugs.
- Please send us your translations if you haven't done so already; or contact us if you need the forms for translation.
- Again, just remind your sites that data collection has begun.

We would also like to underscore that RES-Q can serve as quality improvement tool only if a sufficient (i.e. representative) sample of patients are registered. Therefore, we would like to encourage national coordinators to organize the activities within RES-Q towards obtaining representative sample of patients from centers and their country.

Finally, we are still looking beyond this initial data collection period, and have more plans for the RES-Q project. RES-Q was built around a requirement for one month of data collection per year as a way to collect the requisite information without being unduly burdensome on participating centers. However, we hope that you will find the platform useful to your monitoring and quality improvement efforts, and so we will continue to maintain it and make it available year round. You are free to continue to use it outside of the official data collection periods, and we can provide reports and statistics based around your needs. As with official collection periods, we will just need to know when the cut-off period for your own monitoring is from your national coordinator, and then we can generate the requested reports.

We look forward to continuing to work with you all on this project, and we kindly ask that you continue providing feedback and suggestions so we can continue to improve the RES-Q platform for everyone.

Yours sincerely,

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The RES-Q team