

Getting Started

1. **Should I be starting the operative cases there or wait for further direction on the other databases?**

To start, we suggest working on entering non-core MSQC cases into ArborMetrix while you test your Qualtrics portal.

Cohort Criteria

1. **Do we include surgery done by surgeons other than those on the Acute Care Surgery/Emergency General Surgery team? We do have a lot of surgeries that meet criteria done by colorectal or general surgery.**

The intent is to capture acute appendicitis, acute gallbladder disease, small bowel obstruction and emergent ex lap. Please capture based on disease state, and if the volume turns out to be onerous we may have to add additional criteria such as service line.

2. **With July 1 being the “go live” date, what does that mean for the non-operative cases? Would that be date of admission or date of ACS consult?**

The “Go Live” date is based on the ED Arrival Date.

3. **I am assuming for the operative cases that July 1 would be the date of operation- is that correct?**

The inclusion is base on the ED Arrival Date of July 1st or after.

Definitions

1. **Many of the fields only allow for yes/no answers. There are situations where the patient or physician may notate something but not elaborate – so some of the answers could be unknown to me.**

For purposes of analytics, Unknown/NA have the same negative value as No.

Qualtrics

1. **What is the Sandbox?**

The sandbox is a test Qualtrics environment very similar to the environment you will be using to enter MACS data.

2. **What is the SCOAP database and when are we using this?**

In brief, it is a quality improvement database Michigan Medicine has been testing. For a full description, [click here](#). This option will likely be hidden in your Qualtrics environment.