

Moving Thoracic Care Forward

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Goals

- Review the number of issues related to work-up, diagnosis, treatment and follow-up of thoracic surgical disease.
- Consolidate and discuss various relevant topics with regards to current understanding and existing guidelines/protocols.
- Collaboration with appropriate stakeholders.

Outcomes

- Create and disseminate lasting and more universal protocols for (in part):
 - Follow-up of surgically treated lung cancer
 - Use of PET scan in the treatment of esophageal cancer
 - Use of CT vs. MRI in appropriate staging of NSCLCa
 - Management of Emphysema

Budget approved: \$13,353