**HVS Valve Research Network Meeting**

**Tuesday, February 20, 2024**

**Boston, MA**

**MINUTES**

**Aortic**

* Scientific Committee member “Call for Volunteers”
  + Chair should be selected from current scientific committee members.
* New agreements needed for every center due to new regulations and the transition to Castor. Database management team is currently working on drafting new agreements. Centers should be prepared to discuss them with their legal advisors.
* Age limit for aortic stenosis removed. The age limit used to be 65 years old; now everyone can be included.
* Medical arm is currently setting up a pilot study.
* It was suggested to do more with promotion of the database, both on social media and during the conference(s) (for example through the use of focus groups). Database management team will work together with PRRI on this. The management team will liaison with young HVS for mutual promotion.

**Mitral**

* Currently, we are awaiting legal approval to commence data collection.
* Once all legal requirements are in place, we will initiate a pilot phase where a select few centers will upload both retrospective and prospective data.
* A scientific paper on the development of the database, including the structure, use of data, governance etc. The manuscript will be send to all core leaders to review and will be published in the Heart Valve Society paper.
* The database management team will have contact with Edwards Lifesciences this afternoon to provide information regarding the Mitral Tricuspid Valve Database and its progress and discuss funding possibilities.

**Both**

* From the attendees of the meeting, several showed interest to either or both databases (including the Korean society). Database management team will make contact with them.