

## The Swedish Quality Register for Tonsil Surgery (SQTS)

A description of the structure and data collection effective from 24 May 2023

Q1	Q2 (PROM)	Q3 (PROM)
First questionnaire <sup>§</sup> (day of surgery)	Second questionnaire <sup>°</sup> (30 days after surgery)	Third questionnaire <sup>°</sup> (6 months after surgery)
Filled in by the surgeon directly after surgery	<p>The second and third questionnaires are automatically generated by the register database and forwarded to the patients through 1177.se which is a digital service run by The Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions.</p> <p>An introductory text to Q2 and Q3 explains that Q2 regards complications after tonsil surgery and Q3 regards how the patient's problems have changed after the tonsil surgery.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date of surgery</li> <li>• Social security number (age, date of birth, gender)</li> <li>• Outpatient- or inpatient surgery</li> <li>• Indication*</li> <li>• Surgical method<sup>#</sup>: TE, TEA, TT, TTA, UPPP</li> <li>• Surgical technique for dissection: <i>cold steel, coblation, radiofrequency, bipolar diathermy, unipolar diathermy, diathermy scissors, ultracision, or "other technique"- namely...</i></li> <li>• Surgical technique for haemostasis: <i>None, compression with swabs, infiltration with epinephrine, forceps on a bleeding vessel, ligation, bipolar diathermy, coblation, radiofrequency, unipolar diathermy ligation, or "other" technique- namely...</i></li> <li>• Medicines that the patient is prescribed to take at home after the operation               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>No medicines prescribed</i></li> <li>○ <i>Paracetamol</i></li> <li>○ <i>NSAID/ COX- inhibitors</i></li> <li>○ <i>Opioids</i></li> <li>○ <i>Klonidin</i></li> <li>○ <i>Antibiotics</i></li> <li>○ <i>Tranexamic acid</i></li> <li>○ <i>Other</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name, social security number, date</li> <li>• Have you had any bleedings from the throat after the surgery?</li> <li>• Have you visited medical care due to a bleeding from the throat after the surgery? (Yes/ No)</li> <li>• Have you been admitted to hospital due to a bleeding from the throat after surgery? (Yes/ No)</li> <li>• Was another surgery performed due to the bleeding from the throat?</li> <li>• Have you had to contact medical care because of pain after the surgery? (Yes/ No)</li> <li>• Are you satisfied with the pain treatment that you were recommended after the surgery? (Yes/ No)</li> <li>• If NO, why?               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>The medicines did not help enough</i></li> <li>○ <i>I ran out of medicines</i></li> <li>○ <i>I experienced side effects of the recommended medications</i></li> <li>○ <i>I didn't get enough information on how to treat the pain</i></li> <li>○ <i>Other reason, namely.....</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name, social security number, date</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>"Check the box that best describes your/ your child's situation":</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The problems are gone</li> <li>• My problems are almost gone</li> <li>• My problems remain</li> <li>• My problems have worsened</li> </ul> <p>Have you /your child had other problems? <i>If yes, namely...?</i></p>
<p><sup>§</sup> 09-11-2015 Q1 replaced two questionnaires (a pre- and a perioperative questionnaire). No changes in data collection was made.</p>		
<p>* An explanation to the indications (in Swedish) is available to all surgeons at the SQTS webpage <a href="http://www.ton.registercentrum.se">www.ton.registercentrum.se</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Snoring or obstructive sleep apnoea due to enlarged tonsils</li> <li>• Dysphagia or oral motor dysfunction due to enlarged tonsils</li> <li>• Recurrent tonsillitis-&gt; at least three episodes of tonsillitis the last year</li> <li>• Chronic tonsillitis- &gt; at least three months with inflammation in the tonsils that affects daily activities</li> <li>• Peritonsillitis-&gt; peritonsillar abscess</li> <li>• Systemic complication to tonsillitis-&gt; systemic disease that worsens due to tonsillitis e.g. psoriasis, PFAPA</li> </ul> <p><sup>#</sup> TE- tonsillectomy, TEA- tonsillectomy with adenoidectomy, TT- tonsillotomy, TTA- tonsillotomy with adenoidectomy, UPPP- Uvulopalatopharyngoplasty</p> <p><sup>°</sup> From 12-09-2013 Q3 also contains a question regarding whether the respondent was the patient or a relative.</p>		