Thoracic Education Cooperative Group (TECoG)

• Organized by the TSDA on the premise that significant advances in Thoracic surgical education would be made by a cooperative approach to the design and conduct of studies on trainees through multi-institutional research
Leadership Team

• Chair: Kirsten Freeman – University of Florida
• Vice Chair: Mara Antonoff – University of Texas MD Anderson
• Secretary: Amit Bhargava – University of Minnesota
• TSRA Liaison: Castigliano Bhamidipati – Oregan Health Science Univ
Current Activities

- Reviewing applications for access to the TSDA contact list
- Collaborating with the TSRA to fine tune their surveys
- Investigating the new I6 application process
New Additions to I6 Application Process

**Universal Offer Date**
- Voluntary participation from programs
- Process where applicants receive offers for interviews from participating institutions on the same day

**Applicant Signaling**
- Process where applicants signal an institution that they are interested in interviewing at their program
- Applicants have three signals
- No signal sent to home program
Upcoming Surveys

TECoG Survey
I6 Application Process

TSRA Survey
After the TSDA In-Training Exam (ITE)
Coaching