Propositions associated with the thesis:

OPTIMIZING QUALITY AND SAFETY OF BREAST IMPLANT SURGERY

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1. Sustainable, national breast implant registries are worth the value of investment for all involved stakeholders. (*this thesis*)

2. National breast implant registries are an effective tool to measure and optimize the quality and safety of breast implant surgery. (*this thesis*)

3. One of the next steps in improving the quality of breast implant surgery in the Netherlands is further exploring the reasons and impact of the observed variation between healthcare institutions in the use of particular surgical techniques. (*this thesis*)

4. The Dutch Breast Implant Registry, combined with other registries, provides complementary data that can be used for monitoring and studying breast implant-related adverse events, reducing the need for additional manual data collection. (*this thesis*)

5. International collaboration of national breast implant registries catalyzes breast implant monitoring and timely identification of malfunctioning breast implant types. (*this thesis*)

6. The first step in the way of improvement is to obtain a tense and accurate registration of the elements of the problem. The most important perhaps of all the elements are the complications occurring after operation. (*F. Nightingale, Notes on hospitals, 1859*)

7. Every additional data point that you don’t need is a nail in the coffin of a registry’s long-term sustainability. (*J. McNeil*)

8. De toepassing van het Burgerservicenummer ten behoeve van kwaliteitsregistraties verlaagt de administratieve lasten, verbetert betrouwbare registratie en is essentieel ter waarborging en monitoring van hoge normen inzake kwaliteit en veiligheid van onze gezondheidszorg. (*A. van der Zande et al, Advies commissie governance van kwaliteitsregistraties, 2019*)

9. Mental practice, the cognitive rehearsal of a task without physical movement, enhances (surgical) performance and should be included in surgical training programs. (*L. Wallace et al, The Surgeon, 2017*)


11. “Fire in her eyes, peace in her smile.” (*Based on the original quote of Ventum “Storm in her eyes, peace in her smile”*)