

Online Community Code of Conduct

Thank you for being part of the ASPPH Online Community. To ensure the best possible experience for all members, we have established basic guidelines for participation.

By joining and using this community, you agree that you have read and will follow these rules and guidelines, and ASPPH's Privacy Policy. Conversations in the ASPPH Online Community should concern topics of interest to the Public Health community. This is a space in which to solicit the advice of your peers, benefit from their experience, and participate in an ongoing conversation.

Please take a moment to review the guidelines below. If you have questions, contact us at info@aspph.org. To preserve a climate that encourages both civil and productive dialogue, we reserve the right to suspend or terminate membership in this community for anyone who violates these rules.

Rules

- Do not harshly challenge or attack others. The discussions and comments are meant to stimulate productive conversation and discussion.
- ASPPH is making Online Community available to participants for educational and informational purposes only. ASPPH is not undertaking to render advice. Online Community participants must rely solely on their own judgment with respect to all issues discussed. ASPPH does not approve or endorse any specific practices that may be mentioned on Online Community. ASPPH makes no representations or warranties regarding the experience, qualifications or information provided by Community participants or otherwise provided using Online Community.
- Users are prohibited from posting commercial messages or promotions, advertising, or selling goods or services.
- Do not use Online Community to promote/disseminate surveys of any kind.
- Do not use Online Community to recruit research or interview subjects.
- All defamatory, abusive, profane, threatening, offensive, or illegal materials are strictly prohibited. Do not post anything that you would not want public.
- Post your message or upload documents to the most appropriate discussion. Do not spam several discussions with the same message.
- All messages must add to the body of knowledge. We reserve the right to delete any message for any reason.
- ASPPH will deny access to Online Community to any individual who has not agreed to the terms of these Rules and reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to (i) remove any postings or other content that is not consistent with these Rules or otherwise not in the best interests of ASPPH; and (ii) suspend or terminate access to Online Community for violations of these Rules or for otherwise acting in a manner contrary to the interests of ASPPH.

Release

The Rules include a legally binding release, waiver, discharge, and covenant not to sue (collectively, Release), made voluntarily by you, on your own behalf, and on behalf of your heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, and assigns (collectively, Releasor or you) to ASPPH.

As the Releasor, you fully recognize that ASPPH does not require you to participate in or utilize Online Community. With informed consent, and for valuable consideration received, including access to Online Community, as the Releasor, you agree to assume and take on yourself all of the risks and responsibilities in any way arising from or associated with Online Community and any materials, information, guidance, or advice contained or posted on or to Online Community, and you release ASPPH and its affiliates, members, committees, board, officers, directors, legal representatives, employees, agents, administrators, assigns, and contractors (collectively, Releasees), from any and all claims, demands, suits, judgments, damages, actions, and liabilities of every name and nature whatsoever, whenever occurring, whether known or unknown, contingent or fixed, at law or in equity, that you may suffer at any time arising from or in connection with Online Community, your acts or omissions, or information you transmit in connection with your participation in and use of Online Community, and the materials, information, guidance, or advice contained on Online Community, including any injury or harm to others (collectively, Liabilities), and you agree to defend, indemnify, and hold Releasees harmless from and against any and all Liabilities.

As the Releasor, you recognize that this Release means that you are giving up, among other things, all rights to sue Releasees for injuries, damages, or losses that you may incur. You also understand that this Release binds your heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, and assigns, as well as yourself.

Acceptance of Rules

By joining the Community, you (i) represent and warrant that you have read these Rules, including, without limitation the terms of the Release set forth above; (ii) fully understand the terms of these Rules (including, without limitation, the Release included herein) and acknowledge that you have had the opportunity to review these Rules (including, without limitation, the terms of the Release) with an attorney of your choosing if you so desire; and (iii) agree to be legally bound by the terms of these Rules.