

Harm Reduction Australia: Online Forum – Terms of Use

Safeguarding the Online Forum

Conference principles and values

The Harm Reduction Australia (HRA) Online Forum encourages debate and dialogue as key elements of participation among all conference participants, including delegates, sponsors, donors, speakers and presenters.

All participants are expected to adhere to the following principles and values:

- Be respectful and considerate.
- Be mindful of the words chosen and how they may affect others.
- Be patient.
- Speak freely, and when in disagreement, try to understand the perspectives of others.

This list is not exhaustive but describes key principles to be taken in the spirit intended. It is a guide for mutually respectful and open participation in the HRA Online Forum.

The conference organisers oppose:

- The disruption of interactive spaces that results in the inability for dialogue and debate to take place
- The threat of physical force or verbal harassment
- Cyberbullying or trolling.

These principles and values apply to all parts of the HRA Online Forum, including conference discussions, chats and other spaces for networking.

Terms of use

Participants agree that they will not interfere with the proper working of the HRA Online Forum, nor use the conference platform:

- For any illegal purpose and cybercrime
- In conflict with any applicable law, cybersecurity ordinance, rule or regulation of any governmental authority
- In conflict with any applicable data security and protection laws

Participants further agree to adhere to the principles and values of the conference as outlined above.

In practice, this means that as a conference participant, either as a registered delegate or as a visitor to the HRA Online Forum:

- You may not threaten violence against an individual or a group of people. We also prohibit the glorification of violence.
- You may not promote violence against, threaten or harass other people on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, caste, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, religious affiliation, age, physical or intellectual disability, profession or disease.
- You may not publish or post other people's private information (such as identifying features, such as home phone number and address) without their express authorization and permission.
- You may not threaten or promote terrorism or violent extremism.
- You may not engage in the targeted harassment of someone or incite other people to do so. This includes expressing a wish or hope that someone experiences physical and/or mental harm.
- You may not impersonate any other person or entity or submit any false, defamatory, offensive, harassing material or any material that violates another party's rights of privacy and publicity.
- You may not publish offensive, untrue or illegal material.

- You may not submit unsolicited bulk or commercial messages (“spam”) to HRA Online Forum users. Any unsolicited message must also not direct the recipient to any third- party site or other resources. This excludes communication that is in line with the HRA Online Forum – Terms & Conditions by selected conference sponsors to those delegates who at the time of registration have accepted that their contact details will be shared with these sponsors.
- You may not groom another individual and/or offer or solicit inappropriate behaviour through the HRA Online Forum.

Disclaimer

The information and content displayed or communicated in the context of the HRA Online Forum are for informational purposes only and are not intended as medical advice or as a substitute for the medical advice of a physician. If you have any specific questions about any medical matter, you should consult your doctor or other professional healthcare provider.

The views expressed by speakers or other third parties in the context of the HRA Online Forum are those of the speaker or third party and not necessarily of HRA.

All reasonable efforts will be made to ensure that the HRA Online Forum takes place on the advertised date and time. In the event that the HRA Online Forum does not take place on the advertised date and time, an alternative date and time may be scheduled. HRA reserves the right to substitute speakers where events beyond its reasonable control prevent speakers from appearing. You accept that there will be no right to any refund, cancellation or compensation in these circumstances.

The HRA Online Forum takes place online and may be subject to limitations, delays and other problems inherent to the use of the Internet, of third parties’ online platforms and of electronic communications. HRA shall not be responsible for any delays, delivery failures, interruptions, unavailability, viruses, hacker intrusions or any damage resulting from such issues.

Safeguarding measures

The HRA Online Forum organisers may take any action deemed necessary or appropriate if it is believed that a user: violates the present terms of use; infringes any intellectual property right, privacy right or confidentiality principles; threatens anybody’s personal safety; or uses language that contravenes the principles and values of the conference (see above).