

AADSM Discussion Board User Guidelines

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The AADSM online discussion board is provided as a service to AADSM members. We encourage all AADSM members to participate in our discussion board to get the advice of your peers, learn from their experiences, and participate in an ongoing conversation. To ensure the best possible experience for all AADSM discussion board users, we have established these user guidelines. By participating in the AADSM discussion board, you agree that you have read and will follow these user guidelines.

Etiquette

- Don't attack others.
- Messages should not contain commercial or promotional material, special offers, job offers, product announcements, or solicitation for services.
- Use caution when discussing products or patients. Information posted on any platform is not confidential and comments are subject to HIPAA, libel, slander, and antitrust laws.
- All defamatory, abusive, profane, threatening, offensive, or illegal materials are strictly prohibited and may be removed.
- Do not post anything that you would not want the world to see or that you would not want anyone to know came from you.

Terms

- The AADSM discussion board is for educational and informational purposes only.
- **Content that provides information about your individual experience with products or services is permitted; however, recommendations to boycott or reject products or services are inappropriate.**
- The following content **SHOULD NOT BE POSTED**:
 - Content that contains patient health information violating HIPAA regulations.
 - Content that can be construed as violating federal, state or local laws or AADSM bylaws or policies.
 - Content that can be construed as violating federal or state antitrust laws.
 - Content that encourages or facilitates members to arrive at any agreement that either expressly or impliedly leads to price fixing, a boycott of another's business, or other conduct intended to illegally restrict free trade.
 - Content that encourages or facilitates an agreement about the following subjects are inappropriate: fees, prices, discounts, terms of service or terms or conditions of sale; salaries; profits, profit margins, or cost data; or selection, rejection, or termination of customers or suppliers.
 - Commercial or promotional material, special offers, job offers, product announcements, or solicitation for services.

- Defamatory, abusive, profane, threatening, offensive, or illegal materials.
 - Any information or other material protected by copyright without the permission of the copyright owner. By posting material, you grant to the AADSM and the members of this community the nonexclusive, world-wide, transferable right and license to display, copy, publish, distribute, transmit, print, and use such information or other material in any way and in any medium, including but not limited to print or electronic form.
- The AADSM makes no representations or warranties regarding the experience or qualifications of AADSM discussion board users.
 - The AADSM is not responsible for the material posted and does not approve or endorse, or recommend any information, companies, products, services or practices discussed within the AADSM discussion board. Information from the discussion board should not be referenced in any way to imply such approval, endorsement or recommendation.
 - The AADSM disclaims all warranties with regard to information posted on these sites, whether posted by the AADSM or any third party; this disclaimer includes all implied warranties of merchantability and fitness.
 - Users must respect the security of the discussion board and may not attempt to gain access or provide access to areas private to the AADSM or discussion board.
 - Information posted in the AADSM discussion board will not be treated as confidential.
 - In no event shall the AADSM be liable for any special, indirect, or consequential damages or any damages whatsoever resulting from loss of use, data, or profits, arising out of or in connection with the use or performance of any information posted on this site.
 - The AADSM is not required to maintain copies of any information posted in the discussion board or to assure that such information is deleted.

The AADSM does not actively monitor the AADSM discussion board for inappropriate postings. However, the AADSM retains the right to remove messages or materials that do not comply with these user guidelines or are not in the best interest of the AADSM or its members and discipline any users who do not abide by these guidelines. **We encourage members, if they are having a problem with a product or service, to reach out directly to the company to resolve the issue.**

Disciplinary Actions

These user guidelines should not be seen as all-inclusive, but rather to give a general idea of the guidelines one should follow when participating in the discussion board. When unsure whether content is consistent with these guidelines, please err on the side of caution and do not post the content.

Possible disciplinary actions for AADSM Discussion Board User Guideline violations include: deletion of posts or temporary suspension or permanent suspension from the AADSM discussion board. Any disciplinary actions are at the sole discretion of AADSM management.

AADSM membership fees will not be refunded due to disciplinary actions taken for violations of the AADSM Discussion Board User Guidelines.

Appeal Process

A member may appeal disciplinary actions by emailing info@aadsm.org with the following information: Full name, email address, disclosure of violation and disciplinary action, explanation of why the disciplinary actions should be overturned, including any relevant or supporting evidence.

Changes to User Guidelines

The user guidelines may be revised from time to time. Use of the discussion board constitutes the user's continuing agreement to be bound by these rules. It is the member's responsibility to stay abreast of any changes.

Questions

For questions regarding the AADSM discussion board user guidelines, please contact info@aadsm.org.