



ISSM Survey Dissemination Policy

Internal Survey Requests

The International Society for Sexual Medicine (ISSM) often receives requests to disseminate surveys to ISSM members. This policy is meant to serve as a guide to ISSM committees, working groups, and/or individual members who seek to disseminate a survey to the membership. This policy is meant to facilitate fair and objective handling of requests.

Any proposed survey to be disseminated to the ISSM membership, including those surveys developed by committees on behalf of the ISSM, will require the following before dissemination:

- The main contact person for the survey must be an ISSM member;
- Review and recommendation from the ISSM Membership Committee supporting the need for surveying the membership;
- The chair of the ISSM Membership Committee must submit written confirmation to the ISSM Executive Committee that the survey has been reviewed by the full committee and there is agreement that it warrants circulation to the ISSM membership;
- Review and approval by the ISSM Executive Committee.

Approved surveys will be shared with the ISSM community in the following manner:

1. One (1) dedicated email to the ISSM Survey List;
2. Two (2) inclusions in the ISSM Update. Surveys will be listed by survey name and hyperlinked directly to the online survey. Surveys may be listed in the ISSM Update with other open surveys in which case they will be listed in the order they were approved, with the newest approved survey being listed first. The specific ISSM Update emails in which the survey is included will be determined by ISSM staff after the survey is approved.
3. One (1) dedicated social media post on ISSM's main social media channels (Facebook and Twitter).
4. Listing by name (with hyperlink directly to the online survey) on the ISSM Surveys page as long as the survey remains open.

Surveys must be available via an online platform (e.g., SurveyMonkey, REDCap). Paper surveys will not be distributed by ISSM. Results of a survey may not be recognized as a response on behalf of the Society on any specific topic.

External Survey Requests

In order for ISSM to disseminate an external survey, the survey must be in line with and advance the strategic goals of the Society. All surveys are reviewed by the ISSM Membership Committee and the ISSM Executive Committee. If approved, sponsorship (financial contribution from the entity requesting ISSM to survey its membership) will be required.

External surveys will be disseminated to members in the same manner as Internal Surveys (see 1-4 above): One (1) dedicated email to the ISSM Survey List, inclusion in two (2) ISSM Updates, one (1) dedicated social media post (Facebook & Twitter), and listing on the ISSM Surveys webpage on www.issm.info.

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Survey Dissemination Fees

Survey Type	Fee	What Is Included?
Internal Survey	\$250 *	One (1) dedicated email to the ISSM Survey List, inclusion in two (2) ISSM Updates, one (1) dedicated social media post (Facebook & Twitter), listing on the ISSM Survey webpage on www.ISSM.info .
External Survey	\$500	One (1) dedicated email to the ISSM Survey List, inclusion in two (2) ISSM Updates, one (1) dedicated social media post (Facebook & Twitter), listing on the ISSM Survey webpage on www.ISSM.info .

**The ISSM Membership Committee may recommend, and the ISSM Executive Committee may approve, waiving the fee for surveys conducted to further the work of an ISSM committee or project group.*