

Virtual Events

Participant Guidelines

Virtual events, including Peer to Peer sessions and Educational Webinars, are designed to be open, safe, and respectful environments for all who participate. Below are the guidelines that participants are expected to follow during these events:

- Please be respectful, open-minded, and kind to everyone and apply the same to the opinions and life experiences of others. It is everyone's responsibility to maintain a neutral, judgement-free environment so the event can be significant and positive for all
- Medical advice may not be given during these events; please refrain from asking for medical advice from the hosts or any other participants who are present
 - The conversations and educational content shared in these events are not intended to substitute personalized medical advice, diagnosis, or treatment/therapy recommendations from a qualified professional who is working directly with you
 - Everyone's experience with histiocytosis is unique. While during these sessions you may learn about how others manage their histiocytic disorder, the treatments they are or have been on, and how the disease(s) impact them, please do not make any changes to your own treatment plan, nutrition, or movement plan, or take any specific advice without consulting your care team first
 - If you require medical attention, please consult a clinician, either at your current care center or another treatment institution
- Help our team ensure a safe environment by keeping all discussions, comments, and information shared between patients and families confidential
 - While sharing the event itself is encouraged, unless the event is a public educational webinar or similar, the content covered in the event, including small group discussions, breakout sessions, chat, and Q&A is private. Please do not share screenshots, photos, or information from the session in any format
 - At times the Histiocytosis Association will record educational webinars for the purpose of sharing beyond the live event; participants names will always be kept confidential and any questions asked that may contain personally identifiable information, including photos of community members, will be removed from the recording prior to releasing to the public
- Do not engage in cruel or offensive speech or negative behavior
 - Vulgar speech or language that may make others feel uncomfortable will not be tolerated. Participants joining these events come from diverse experiences, personalities, cultures, and backgrounds. Please always be sensitive to others' perspectives
- To maintain an honest, transparent, and safe community forum for all participants, please use your real name and upload a real picture of yourself when appropriate. Email addresses and phone numbers will only be shared at each participant's discretion or with permission granted to the Histiocytosis Association to share with other members of the event

One or more violations of these guidelines may result in your removal from a session, the event, or our virtual environment. By entering the virtual platform, you agree to these guidelines and understand that the Histiocytosis Association will handle your information as described in our privacy policy <https://histio.org/privacy-policy/>. Thank you for helping to ensure that virtual events are a positive, open, and community-oriented experience for all.

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

The Histiocytosis Association Team

