



## **ESVS COMMUNITY FORUM GUIDELINES**

Welcome to the ESVS Community Forum. This space is designed to foster professional exchange, support education, and encourage collaborative discussion among members of the vascular surgery community.

By participating in the forum, you agree to follow the guidelines outlined below.

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### **1. Purpose of the Forum**

The forum serves as a platform for peer-to-peer discussion among ESVS members, trainees, and vascular professionals. It is intended for the exchange of professional insights, research questions, and community support, not for medical consultations or patient-specific advice.

### **2. Respectful Conduct**

- Treat all users with courtesy and professionalism.
- Disagreements are natural, but personal attacks, harassment, discrimination, or hate speech will not be tolerated.
- Respect differing viewpoints, cultures, and experience levels.

### **3. Constructive and Relevant Contributions**

- Keep discussions on-topic and contribute constructively.
- Share evidence-based knowledge and relevant professional experiences.
- Avoid spam, excessive self-promotion, or off-topic links unless contextually appropriate.
- For moderation reasons, please contribute in the comments in English.

### **4. Confidentiality and Privacy**

- Do not share any personally identifiable information about patients, in compliance with GDPR and other data protection laws.
- Do not disclose confidential or proprietary information related to your institution or third parties.

### **5. Prohibited Content**

- No advertising, commercial promotion, or sales-related content without explicit prior approval from ESVS.
- Promotion of external events, products, or services is strictly prohibited unless expressly approved by ESVS. Unauthorised promotional posts will be removed, and users may be flagged or restricted from further participation.
- Do not post copyrighted content without permission from the author or the copyright owner.
- Avoid posting political messages, offensive material, or solicitation of any kind.

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## **6. Moderation and Reporting**

- The forum is monitored by ESVS moderators to ensure adherence to these guidelines.
- Posts that violate the rules may be edited or removed.
- Repeated or severe violations may result in warnings, temporary suspension, or permanent removal from the forum.
- Users are encouraged to report inappropriate behaviour or content via email, at [info@esvs.org](mailto:info@esvs.org)

## **7. Disclaimer**

- Opinions shared in the forum are those of individual contributors and do not reflect the views of the ESVS.
- The forum is not a substitute for formal medical or legal advice.

## **8. Agreement and Updates**

- Participation in the forum constitutes acceptance of these guidelines.
- ESVS reserves the right to update these rules at any time. Continued use of the forum implies agreement to any future revisions.

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We thank you for helping maintain a respectful, insightful, and engaging community space.

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