

AUSTRALIAN MEDICAL STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION: PRIVACY POLICY

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This statement sets out the Australian Medical Students' Association ("AMSA") policies relating to the collection and use of your personal information. It applies to your conduct on the AMSA Web Site (the "Web Site"). These policies are in addition to AMSA's general Terms of Use governing the Association and should be read in conjunction with such [Terms of Use](#).

AMSA is committed to protecting your privacy and developing technology that gives you the most powerful and safe online experience. This Statement of Privacy applies to the AMSA website and governs data collection and usage. By using the AMSA Web Site, you consent to the data practices described in this statement.

Collection of your personal information

AMSA collects personally identifiable information, such as your e-mail address, name, home or work address or telephone number. AMSA also collects anonymous demographic information, which is not unique to you, such as your post-code, age, gender, preferences and interests.

There is also information about your computer hardware and software that is automatically collected by AMSA. This information can include: your IP address, browser type, domain names, access times and referring Web Site addresses. This information is used by AMSA for the operation of the service, to maintain quality of the service, and to provide general statistics regarding use of the AMSA Web Site.

Please keep in mind that if you directly disclose personally identifiable information or personally sensitive data through AMSA public message boards (the "AMSA Forums"), this information may be collected and used by others. Note: AMSA does not read any of your private online communications.

AMSA encourages you to review the privacy statements of Web Sites you choose to link to from AMSA so that you can understand how those Web Sites collect, use and share your information. AMSA is not responsible for the privacy statements or other content on Web Sites outside of the AMSA Web Site.

Use of your personal information

AMSA collects and uses your personal information to operate the AMSA Web Site and deliver the services you have requested. AMSA also uses your personally identifiable information to inform you of other products or

services available from AMSA and its affiliates. AMSA may also contact you via surveys to conduct research about your opinion of current services or of potential new services that may be offered.

AMSA does not sell, rent or lease its customer lists to third parties. AMSA may, from time to time, contact you on behalf of external business partners about a particular offering that may be of interest to you. In those cases, your unique personally identifiable information (e-mail, name, address, telephone number) is not transferred to the third party. In addition, AMSA may share data with trusted partners to help us perform statistical analysis, send you email or postal mail, provide customer support, or arrange for deliveries. All such third parties are prohibited from using your personal information except to provide these services to AMSA, and they are required to maintain the confidentiality of your information.

AMSA keeps track of the Web Sites and pages our customers visit within AMSA, in order to determine what AMSA services are the most popular. This data is used to deliver customized content and advertising within AMSA to customers whose behaviour indicates that they are interested in a particular subject area.

AMSA Web Sites will disclose your personal information, without notice, only if required to do so by law or in the good faith belief that such action is necessary to:

- (a) conform to the edicts of the law or comply with legal process served on AMSA or the site;
- (b) protect and defend the rights or property of AMSA; and,
- (c) act under exigent circumstances to protect the personal safety of users of AMSA, or the public.

Use of cookies

The AMSA Web Site uses "cookies" to help you personalize your online experience. A cookie is a text file that is placed on your hard disk by a webpage server. Cookies cannot be used to run programs or deliver viruses to your computer. Cookies are uniquely assigned to you, and can only be read by a web server in the domain that issued the cookie to you.

One of the primary purposes of cookies is to provide a convenience feature to save you time. The purpose of a cookie is to tell the web server that you have returned to a specific page. For example, if you personalize AMSA pages, or register with AMSA site or services, a cookie helps AMSA to recall your specific information on subsequent visits.

This simplifies the process of recording your personal information, such as billing addresses, shipping addresses, and so on. When you return to the same AMSA Web Site, the information you previously provided can be retrieved, so you can easily use the AMSA features that you customised.

You have the ability to accept or decline cookies. Most Web browsers automatically accept cookies, but you can usually modify your browser setting to decline cookies if you prefer. If you choose to decline cookies, you may not be able to fully experience the interactive features of the AMSA services or Web Sites you visit.

Security of your personal information

AMSA secures your personal information from unauthorized access, use or disclosure. AMSA secures the personally identifiable information you provide on computer servers in a controlled, secure environment, protected from unauthorised access, use or disclosure. When personal information (such as a credit card

number) is transmitted to other Web Sites, it is protected through the use of encryption, such as the Secure Socket Layer (SSL) protocol.

Changes to this statement

AMSA will occasionally update this Statement of Privacy to reflect Association and customer feedback. AMSA encourages you to periodically review this Statement to be informed of how AMSA is protecting your information.

Contact information

AMSA welcomes your comments regarding this Statement of Privacy. If you believe that AMSA has not adhered to this Statement, please contact AMSA at mail@amsa.org.au.

We will use commercially reasonable efforts to promptly determine and remedy the problem.

Further information on privacy

For more information about privacy issues in Australia, visit the [Australian Federal Privacy Commissioner's Web Site](#).