

# IUGA Survey Dissemination Policy

The International Urogynecological Association (IUGA) receives requests to disseminate surveys to its membership. This policy provides guidelines for IUGA committees, working groups, and/or individual members who wish to have IUGA distribute a survey on their behalf to our contact list. This policy ensures fair and objective handling of requests while aligning with IUGA’s strategic goals.

## Requirements for Survey Dissemination:

- The main contact person for the survey must be an IUGA member;
- The survey must align with and advance the strategic goals of IUGA;
- Surveys must be available via an online platform (e.g., SurveyMonkey, REDCap);
- The survey must be reviewed and approved by the Innovation, Research, and Development Committee as necessary for the IUGA membership. Financial contribution from the requesting entity is required for dissemination to cover administrative efforts, distribution and promotional activities. The fee varies depending on whether the survey is classified as internal (\$250) or external (\$500), as outlined in the Survey Types and Dissemination Fees section below.
- The Chair of the Innovation, Research and Development Committee must submit written confirmation to the IUGA Board stating that the survey has been reviewed by the full committee and agreed to the survey’s circulation;
- Review and approval by the Board of Directors.

## Approved surveys will be distributed as follows:

- Two (2) dedicated emails to the IUGA Survey List;
- Two (2) inclusions in the IUGA Insider newsletter, with a hyperlink to the survey.
- One (1) dedicated social media post on IUGA’s main social media channels (Facebook and Twitter).
- Listing on the IUGA Volunteer Opportunities webpage for as long as the survey remains open.

## *Survey Types and Dissemination Fees*

Survey Type	Definition	Fee
<b>Internal Survey</b>	Internal surveys are conducted for purposes directly related to IUGA, such as research projects led by IUGA committees, working groups, or members advancing the association’s mission. These surveys aim to gather insights that benefit IUGA’s initiatives, educational efforts, or scientific contributions.	<b>\$250*</b>
<b>External Survey</b>	External surveys are those initiated by individuals or organizations outside of IUGA for purposes not directly linked to the Association’s internal projects. These may include academic research, industry studies, or surveys conducted by other professional societies seeking input from IUGA members.	<b>\$500</b>

\*The Innovation, Research and Development Committee may recommend, and the Board may approve, waiving the fee for surveys conducted in support of an IUGA committee or project group.

Results of a survey may not be recognized as a response on behalf of the Association on any specific topic.

This policy ensures that all surveys distributed through IUGA align with the Association's goals and provide value to our members.