**Terms and Conditions**

* Acceptance of applications is at the discretion of the *painSTAR* Selection Committee
* Completed application forms must be submitted by the due date. It is the responsibility of the applicant to confirm the Australian Pain Society (APS) receipt of their *painSTAR* application form prior to the due date
* Successful applicants must commit to be available for the full length of the event and agree, in writing, to the Code of Conduct
* *painSTAR* is designed to be an immersive ‘in person’ event. The organisers reserve the right to ‘carry over’ arrangements if the event is deferred due to unforeseen circumstances
* Delegates commit to advise Recent Publications with the APS
* Delegates are required to provide the APS with a brief activity report (500 words) 12 months post completion of *painSTAR* regarding the impact that *painSTAR* has made for their practice and career trajectory

**Code of Conduct**

The Australian Pain Society (APS) is committed to a respectful and safe environment for all interactions inclusive of its conferences and meetings.

Our *painSTAR* event is governed by all relevant APS policies in relation to professional behaviour and conduct, including in relation to bullying, discrimination and sexual harassment.

*painSTAR* is dedicated to providing a harassment-free event experience for everyone, regardless of gender, gender identity and expression, age, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, ethnicity, religion (or lack thereof), or technology choices. Sexual language and imagery or the use of personal photos without permission is not appropriate for any event venue, including talks, workshops, parties, Twitter and other online media.

*painSTAR* participants violating these rules may be sanctioned or expelled from the event without a refund at the discretion of the event organisers.

Respectful behaviour is expected at all times from all participants. Appropriate behaviour respects difference and diversity, respects privacy, and handles disagreement politely. Honesty and fair dealing is expected.

Obtaining consent to quote others, use presentations or take photographs is appropriate and shows the respect expected of participants of *painSTAR*.

If someone makes you or anyone else feel unsafe or unwelcome, please report it as soon as possible to a member of the events team who will escalate to the Chair of APS Membership Committee or a member of the APS Executive team.

Alternatively you can make a report via email [**here**](mailto:painstar@dcconferences.com.au?subject=painSTAR%20Code%20of%20Conduct%20report). All personal details will remain confidential, issues raised will be investigated and necessary action taken to prevent a recurrence.