



PRIVACY POLICY

The Canadian Association for the Study of the Liver (CASL) is committed to maintaining the accuracy, confidentiality and security of the personal information collected from its members, applicants, volunteers, event attendees, and partners. As a part of our mission to provide national leadership in all aspects of research, education and patient care as they pertain to the liver, CASL frequently collects and uses personal information, which includes information collected on applications for membership, awards, and fellowships. The Canadian Association for the Study of the Liver complies with, and endeavours to exceed, the legal requirements of Canada's Federal Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (PIPEDA) and Canada's Anti-Spam Legislation.

To that end, CASL remains committed to the following principles:

1. Protecting Personal Information

The Canadian Association for the Study of the Liver assumes responsibility for the protection of your personal information collected through our office and program activities. This responsibility extends to third parties who may collect or transfer personal information on our behalf.

2. Identifying the Purpose for Collecting Personal Information

The Canadian Association for the Study of the Liver collects only the required amount of information to fulfil specific and identified purposes, such as compiling an accurate list of members, to facilitate the payment of membership dues, or to communicate with members about research, education, publications or other matters of relevance to the practice of hepatology in Canada.

3. Knowledge and Consent

The Canadian Association for the Study of the Liver will only collect personal information with your knowledge and consent. This may be with your express consent (for example, where you voluntarily provide information on a form for purposes you clearly understand and agree to) or by declining an opportunity to opt-out of our collection or use of your personal information.

4. Limiting Information Collection

The Canadian Association for the Study of the Liver will only collect personal information that is relevant to the purposes that are identified. You have the right to disclose any amount of personal information you choose.

5. Limiting Use, Disclosure and Retention of Collected Information

The Canadian Association for the Study of the Liver does not disclose personal information to other organizations without your consent. You have the right to withdraw your consent to the disclosure of this information at any time.

6. Ensuring the Accuracy of your Personal Information

Except for lists provided for the purpose of verifying membership eligibility, virtually all the personal information collected comes directly from individuals themselves. Unless advised otherwise, we assume information collected on forms to be accurate and complete.

7. Safeguarding your Personal Information

Appropriate safeguards are used to protect all personal information. Access to this information is restricted to CASL members only.

8. Openness of our Privacy Policy and Practices

We are open about our policies and procedures. We make reasonable efforts to inform individuals about these policies and procedures whenever possible.

9. Right to Access your Personal Information

Upon request, you are entitled to view your personal information that The Canadian Association for the Study of the Liver holds. If personal information is being held, you will be told for what purposes it is being used and what the information is.

10. Your Right to Challenge our Compliance

At any point, for any reason you are concerned with The Canadian Association for the Study of the Liver's compliance with our Privacy Policy, please contact our office. We will investigate any possible discretion and if an objection is justified, we will take the necessary steps to rectify the situation.