



Adding Polling to Your Presentation

ISPOR encourages speakers in live sessions to engage their virtual audience via polling. This document will provide an overview of polling, present best practice tips, and providing information on submitting and delivering your polls.

POLLING OVERVIEW

Virtual events, just like face-to-face events, should be about engagement, participation, and discussion as a means to learn beyond passive listening. Polling allows you to create single choice or multiple-choice polling questions for your presentation. These polling questions will be launched during your presentation for attendees to respond to in real-time.

DEVELOPING YOUR POLLING QUESTIONS

Questions must be submitted in multiple choice format. This includes true/false and yes/no. Below are some best practice tips for developing your questions.

- Make questions short and simple. Limit answer choices to 5 total.
- Allow time for discussion of the response results. Build in approximately 1-2 minutes for presenting and polling and 2-3 minutes for discussion of each question.
- Speakers cannot submit more than 5 total questions. Use questions sparingly to highlight the points you want to emphasize most.

SUBMITTING YOUR POLLING QUESTIONS

Submit your questions via email to Jess Warner at jwarner@ispor.org. Questions must be submitted in multiple choice format and include no more than 5 answer choices. ISPOR staff will create your polling questions within Zoom. Questions must be submitted in the order they will be presented.

All polling questions must be submitted by Tuesday, May 3.

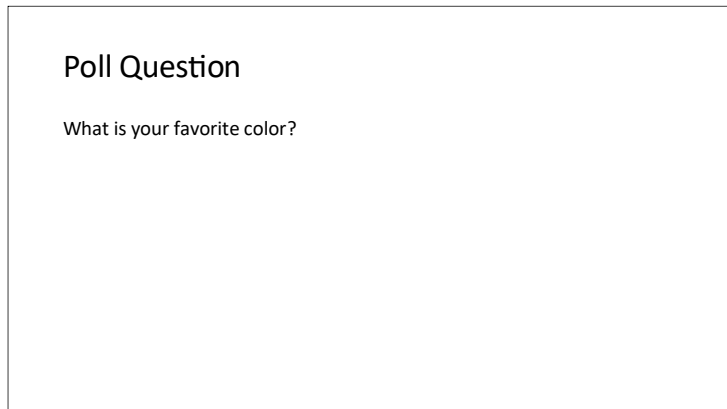
PRESENTING YOUR POLLING QUESTIONS

Include a slide within your slide deck indicating where you want each polling question to appear. The slide must include the polling question. This will alert ISPOR staff to activate the poll for the audience. As the presenter you will not need to activate your polls within Zoom – this will be handled by ISPOR staff.

Allow time for discussion of the response results. Build in approximately 1-2 minutes for presenting and polling and 2-3 minutes for discussion of each question. Be sure to give attendees time to respond.

Expert Tip! Don't panic when you don't see responses automatically populating within the live poll. Attendees are reading the question and focusing on their response. Fill the "silence" with extra food for thought! Tell the audience a story or give them things to consider as they select their response.

PowerPoint Slide Example



Live Polling Example

Polling Questions in Progress	00:00:19
Attendees are now viewing questions	1 of 1 voted

1. What is your favorite color?

Red	(0) 0%
Green	(0) 0%
Blue	(1) 100%

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QUESTIONS?

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