

Engagement Theatre Faculty Instructions

What is an Engagement Theatre session and how does it work?

This **30-minute educational session** features engaging presentations on a variety of topics relevant to orthopaedics, ranging from **advocacy and research updates to mentoring and professional development**.

Engagement Theater sessions combine a focused didactic presentation with audience questions and discussion.

Your Role: Faculty Presenter.

Session Length: 30 minutes.

Format: Didactic presentation with audience Q&A.

Handout: No handout is required.

Your Role as Faculty

As a faculty member, you are responsible for delivering a **focused, engaging presentation** that supports the session objectives while allowing adequate time for audience questions and discussion.

Because the entire session is only 30 minutes, presentations should be concise and focused on the most meaningful information and takeaways for attendees.

Before the Annual Meeting

- Complete all required faculty forms by the designated deadline.
- Communicate with the moderator to confirm your assigned topic, role, and presentation time.
- Review the session learning objectives and ensure your content supports the overall session.
- Prepare a concise presentation that can be delivered comfortably within your assigned time.
- Focus your content on clear, meaningful takeaways for attendees.

- Coordinate with the moderator and other faculty, if applicable, to avoid unnecessary overlap or redundancy.
- Review your presentation for balance, bias, and commercialism.
- Pre-submit your audiovisual presentation according to the instructions provided by AAOS.
- Practice and time your presentation in advance to ensure adequate time remains for audience Q&A.

No Handout Required

A handout is **not required** for Engagement Theater sessions.

Preparation should instead focus on delivering a concise, engaging presentation and allowing time for audience questions and discussion.

During Your Session

Faculty contribute to the Engagement Theater through focused presentations and audience interaction.

1. Deliver Your Presentation

Present your assigned topic clearly and stay within the time allotted by the moderator.

2. Focus on Key Takeaways

Prioritize the most meaningful information and practical takeaways for attendees.

3. Stay on Schedule

Follow the moderator's timing cues and conclude your presentation promptly to protect time for audience discussion.

4. Participate in Q&A

Be prepared to respond to audience questions and contribute to discussion related to your topic.

5. Support the Full Session

Remain engaged throughout the entire **30-minute session** and participate in discussion as directed by the moderator.

Maintaining Balance & Managing Disclosures

As faculty, your presentation and contributions should remain **fair, balanced, educational, and free of commercial bias.**

- Avoid promotion of a specific company's product, device, or treatment.
- When discussing products, techniques, or treatment options, acknowledge appropriate alternatives.
- Distinguish personal experience or opinion from established evidence when appropriate.
- Clearly identify emerging or new content that is not yet supported by established evidence.
- Be mindful of your disclosed relationships when presenting and contributing to discussion.

Faculty disclosures will be displayed at the start of the session and will also be available through AAOS Annual Meeting resources.

Day-of Reminders

- Check in at the **Speaker Ready Room** in sufficient time to review and confirm your presentation.
- Arrive at the session location **30 minutes early** to become familiar with the setup and connect with the moderator.
- Review the session timing with the moderator before beginning.
- Stay within your assigned presentation time.
- Keep your presentation focused, concise, and engaging.
- Follow timing cues provided by the moderator.
- Participate in audience Q&A and discussion as directed by the moderator.
- Remain for the entire **30-minute session**.

Questions?

For questions regarding your Engagement Theater session, please contact the AAOS Education team.

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