

ASCRS Industry Sponsored Promotional E-Blasts

Enhance your marketing presence and reach nearly 4,000 colon and rectal surgeons by sponsoring an exclusive e-blast to the ASCRS membership. You provide the content and we disseminate your branded message to our members.

HOW IT WORKS:

- > E-blast applications must be received at least one month prior to the e-blast send date. E-blasts are sold on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- > The **\$3,500 sponsorship fee** must be paid in advance.
- ASCRS will track the results and provide the submitting company an analysis of their e-blast. Analysis will include open rates, click rates on links and bounce back rates.

PROCEDURES:

- Complete the application and submit to Jason Keith, Director, Corporate Relations, at jkeith@fascrs.org.
- Attach separate applications for each e-blast distribution. We will do our best to accommodate your preferred distribution date but dates are not guaranteed. Artwork must be submitted for review/approval by ASCRS with your application. Upon approval of the artwork and application an invoice will be sent for the \$3,500 sponsorship fee, which must be paid prior to the e-blast send date.
- > Eblast content requirements:
 - The ASCRS name or logo may not be used and may not appear on any of the materials.
 - All content will be provided by purchasing company and must include "Promotional Ad" at the top of the eblast. Additionally, the bottom of the ad will include the following disclaimer: "The content and views expressed herein are those of the sponsor and not of the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons".
 - Both disclosures to be shown in no less than size 12 font
 - Below the disclaimer should be unsubscribe and opt-out options with links
 - The opt-out link: <u>https://fascrs.informz.net/fascrs/pages/ASCRS_Promo_Opt_Out?_zs=z3eam&_zmi=</u>
 - The unsubscribe link: https://fascrs.informz.net/fascrs/pages/default_unsubscribe?_zs=z3eam&_zmi=
- > For production questions, please contact Julia Sprowls at jsprowls@fascrs.org.
- Supply the following in <u>final</u> form for testing no later than <u>two weeks prior to the send date</u>.
 - High-Resolution JPEG file (300 dpi) or complete HTML content
 - Late delivery or any major problems with the content may cause us to cancel your e-blast.
 The maximum size the file can be is 10MB.
 - The URL of the landing page if part of the message is linkable and you are submitting via JPG. Not necessary for content submitted via HTML. Only 2 embedded hyperlinks allowed per message.
 - o Text for the subject line to go with the Eblast. Note: The subject line MUST include Paid Advertising.



Promotional Blast Email Policy & Guidelines

- ASCRS will accept applications from companies interested in using the ASCRS email forwarding service for a fee of \$3,500 per message. Priority consideration will be given to Annual Meeting exhibitors and/or sponsors. Applications submitted by companies not currently listed as sponsors or exhibitors must receive approval from ASCRS' Industry Relations Committee. Full payment must be received prior to distribution.
- 2. All submitted applications will be forwarded to the ASCRS Industry Relations Committee Chair (ASCRS President-elect) to ensure there are no concerns with the content of the ad and to facilitate the process without unnecessary delays. Following review, final approval or comments will be provided to the submitting company. Unapproved ads will not be distributed.
- 3. The ASCRS brand or logo is not permitted to be used or appear within the ad (unless referencing the ASCRS Annual Meeting in text only such as, "see us at the ASCRS Annual Meeting"). Use of any ASCRS logo is not permitted.
- 4. A maximum of two industry-supported blast emails will be sent to the ASCRS membership each month. Specific dates are not guaranteed and distribution is based on schedule availability.
- 5. Complete references must be included to support any claims made within the ad. This applies to external and in-house testing. Pubmed or AMA formats are preferred.
- 6. References to specific brand or product names of competitors related to claims of superiority are not permitted.
- 7. Layout: The senders "from" address will be listed as coming from: "Forwarded Promotional Message". The copy in the subject line is provided by the sponsoring company and must include: "Paid Advertising". The top of the ad will feature a line of copy which reads: "Promotional Ad" and the bottom of the ad will include copy which reads: "The content and views expressed herein are those of the sponsor and not of the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons." This disclosure must be noted in size 12 font or larger.
- 8. A full layout adhering to the requirements noted in point 7 of this document must be provided for review. ASCRS will not construct or layout a sponsored Eblast ad.
- 9. ASCRS staff will send the email on the designated date to all Society members (excluding those that elect to opt out of this service). If an ASCRS member elects to un-subscribe/opt out, they will be removed from the list and will no longer receive future "ASCRS Forwarded Promotional Messages".
- 10. ASCRS staff will track the "open" and "click through" results and provide the sponsor with an analysis 10-15 days after the ad is sent. The analysis will include the "open rate", "click rates" and "bounce backs".
- 11. Requests for limited and focused promotional blast emails (e.g., those sent to a subset of the membership) will be considered on an individual basis. The fee for such requests may increase based on the target audience but at a minimum will be the same as noted in point 1 of this document.



All information below is required

Company Name			
Address			
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country
Company Contact Name		Title	
Phone	E-Mail		
1 st Preferred Date	2 nd Preferred Date		3rd Preferred Date
Text for Subject Line			

SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION TO:

Email: jkeith@fascrs.org

Or: American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons Attention: Corporate Relations 2549 Waukegan Road, #210 Bannockburn, IL 60015