

ISOQOL

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR QUALITY OF LIFE RESEARCH

SURVEY REQUEST

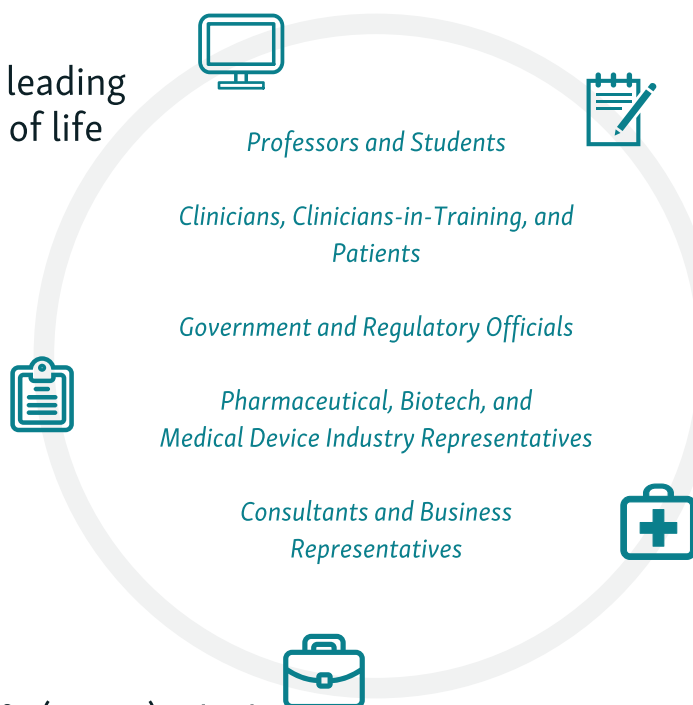
One of the directives of the ISOQOL Membership Committee is to identify groups and regions in the field of health related quality of life (HRQL) who are underrepresented by ISOQOL. The purpose of this survey is to gauge the interest of professionals practicing medicine in a clinical setting regarding the application of relevant HRQL research to their practices.

ISOQOL's diverse network makes us a leading authority in the field of health related quality of life and patient-centered outcomes research.

WHAT IS HRQL

Quality of life (QOL) is defined by the World Health Organization as “an individual’s perception of their position in life in the context of the culture and value systems in which they live and in relation to their goals, expectations, standards and concerns.”

ISOQOL focuses on health related quality of life (HRQL) which is the health aspect of quality of life that focuses on people’s level of ability, daily functioning and ability to experience a fulfilling life.



PRO vs PCO

Patient-reported outcomes (PRO) and patient-centered outcomes (PCO) are measurements used in research of any aspect of a patient's health.

PCOs involve outcomes that patients care about: survival, symptoms, function and HRQL.

PROs come directly from the patient without interpretation of the patient's responses by a physician or anyone else.

MEMBER BENEFITS

Special Interest Groups

ISOQOL members have the opportunity to join specialized communities known as Special Interest Groups (SIGs). SIGs are communities that connect professionals with a similar career focus for networking and collaboration.

Members of SIGs use Teamwork, an online project management software, as an online community for collaboration and information sharing.

About the QOL in Clinical Practice SIG

This SIG focuses on methodology and implementation initiatives to advance the effective use of PRO measures across different medical care settings. Our ultimate objective is to improve the management and treatment of individual patients, medical decision-making, and patient-centered care.

About the Patient Engagement SIG

This SIG aims to ensure the patient voice is represented in ISOQOL activities through the advancement of patient engagement in HRQL research. Not only do we discuss ways to incorporate the patient voice in HRQL research, but we also are here to support ISOQOL's current and prospective Patient Research Partners (PRP).



Participation at Conferences

ISOQOL currently offers numerous networking opportunities through the events we host annually. Topics of interest to clinicians include improving efficiency and value of healthcare delivery through the integration of patient-reported HRQL data, enhancing the quality of clinical trial research by integrating the patient voice, etc.

Annual Conference

The ISOQOL Annual Conference brings together researchers, industry representatives from pharmaceutical, biotechnology and mobile health device fields, clinicians, patient research partners and regulatory officials from around the world.

During this conference attendees have the opportunity to attend and/or present in general scientific sessions. The numerous educational, collaborative and networking opportunities ensure value for attendees in any career stage.

Measuring What Matters Symposium

MWM is intended to be a more intimate event with fewer attendees and a more targeted focus than the ISOQOL Annual Conference. MWM is a good opportunity to fine tune and improve upon current implementation practice. Members submit topic proposals for future symposia annually.

Education

ISOQOL has found that our current clinical members have a need for access to continued education. ISOQOL offers several member resources to satisfy that need. We have educational initiatives, including workshops, webinars, Q&A panels, and education courses.

ISOQOL offers these resources either independently or through events, such as the Annual Conference and the Measuring What Matters Symposium (MWM).

