

Privacy Policy

Protecting your private information is our priority. This Statement of Privacy applies to intris.org, intris.wildapricot.org, and International Retinal Imaging Society (IntRIS) and governs data collection and usage. For the purposes of this Privacy Policy, unless otherwise noted, all references to International Retinal Imaging Society include intris.org, intris.wildapricot.org, and IntRIS. The IntRIS website is a medical and vision research society website. By using the IntRIS website, you consent to the data practices described in this statement.

From time-to-time, IntRIS members, and non-member associates who participate in IntRIS programs, may share de-identified images of patient eyes in presentations, case studies, newsletters and other formats. These may be shown as live, online video conferences and/or recorded for later viewing on the website.

Presenters take full responsibility for acquiring approval to use the images in their presentations, and for their compliance to the United States' Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and applicable international patient privacy laws.

IntRIS is not responsible for the content or privacy practices of other sites or video conferencing tools.

Collection of your Personal Information

In order to better provide you with services offered on our Site, IntRIS may collect personally identifiable information, such as your first and last names, mailing address, email address, phone number, employer, job title, professional degrees, CV, and published research papers. IntRIS may also collect anonymous demographic information, which is not unique to you, such as your gender.

If you join IntRIS and pay dues online, we collect billing and credit card information. This information is used only to complete the payment transaction. Credit card numbers are not kept on file.

Please keep in mind that if you directly disclose personally identifiable information or personally sensitive data through IntRIS members' message boards, this information may be collected and used by others.

We do not collect any personal information about you unless you voluntarily provide it to us. However, you may be required to provide certain personal information to us when you elect to use certain services available on the Site. These may include: (a) registering for an account on our Site; (b) entering a competition or contest sponsored by us or one of our partners; (c) signing up for special offers from selected third parties; (d) sending us an email message; (e) submitting your credit card or other payment information when ordering and purchasing services on our Site. To wit, we will use your information for, but not limited to, communicating with you in relation to services you have requested from us. We also may gather additional personal or non-personal information in the future.

Use of your Personal Information

IntRIS collects and uses your personal information to operate its website(s) and deliver the services you have requested.

IntRIS may also use your personally identifiable information to inform you of other services available from IntRIS and its affiliates.

Sharing Information with Third Parties

IntRIS does not sell, rent or lease its lists of members or applicants for membership to third parties.

IntRIS may, from time to time, contact you on behalf of external business partners about a particular offering that may be of interest to you. In those cases, your unique personally identifiable information (e-mail, name, address, telephone number) is not transferred to the third party. IntRIS may share data with trusted partners to help perform statistical analysis, send you email or postal mail, provide customer support, or arrange for deliveries. All such third parties are prohibited from using your personal information except to provide these services to IntRIS, and they are required to maintain the confidentiality of your information.

IntrIS may disclose your personal information, without notice, if required to do so by law or in the good faith belief that such action is necessary to: (a) conform to the edicts of the law or comply with legal process served on IntrIS or the site; (b) protect and defend the rights or property of IntrIS; and/or (c) act under exigent circumstances to protect the personal safety of users of IntrIS, or the public.

Tracking User Behavior

IntrIS may keep track of the websites and pages our users visit within IntrIS, in order to determine what IntrIS services are the most popular. This data is used to deliver customized content within IntrIS to persons whose behavior indicates that they are interested in a particular subject area.

Automatically Collected Information

Information about your computer hardware and software may be automatically collected by IntrIS. This information can include: your IP address, browser type, domain names, access times and referring website addresses. This information is used for the operation of the service, to maintain quality of the service, and to provide general statistics regarding use of the IntrIS website.

Links

This website contains links to other sites and some material on our website may be accessed by following links displayed on other sites. Please be aware that IntrIS is not responsible for the content or privacy practices of such other sites. We encourage our users to be aware when they leave our site and to read the privacy statements of any other site that collects personally identifiable information.

Security of your Personal Information

IntrIS secures your personal information from unauthorized access, use, or disclosure. IntrIS uses Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) for this purpose. When personal information (such as a credit card number) is transmitted to other websites, it is protected through the use of encryption, such as SSL.

We strive to take appropriate security measures to protect against unauthorized access to or alteration of your personal information. Unfortunately, no data transmission over the Internet or any wireless network can be guaranteed to be 100% secure. As a result, while we strive to protect your personal information, you acknowledge that: (a) there are security and privacy limitations inherent to the Internet which are beyond our control; and (b) security, integrity, and privacy of any and all information and data exchanged between you and us through this Site cannot be guaranteed.

Right to Deletion

Subject to certain exceptions set out below, on receipt of a verifiable request from you, we will:

- Delete your personal information from our records; and
- Direct any service providers to delete your personal information from their records.

Please note that we may not be able to comply with requests to delete your personal information if it is necessary to:

- Complete the transaction for which the personal information was collected, fulfill the terms of a written warranty or product recall conducted in accordance with federal law, provide a good or service requested by you, or reasonably anticipated within the context of our ongoing business relationship with you, or otherwise perform a contract between you and us;
- Detect security incidents, protect against malicious, deceptive, fraudulent, or illegal activity; or prosecute those responsible for that activity;
- Debug to identify and repair errors that impair existing intended functionality;
- Exercise free speech, ensure the right of another consumer to exercise his or her right of free speech, or exercise another right provided for by law;
- Comply with the California Electronic Communications Privacy Act;

- Engage in public or peer-reviewed scientific, historical, or statistical research in the public interest that adheres to all other applicable ethics and privacy laws, when our deletion of the information is likely to render impossible or seriously impair the achievement of such research, provided we have obtained your informed consent;
- Enable solely internal uses that are reasonably aligned with your expectations based on your relationship with us;
- Comply with an existing legal obligation; or
- Otherwise use your personal information, internally, in a lawful manner that is compatible with the context in which you provided the information.

Children Under Thirteen

IntrIS does not knowingly collect personally identifiable information from children under the age of thirteen. If you are under the age of thirteen, you must ask your parent or guardian for permission to use this website.

E-mail Communications

From time to time, IntrIS may contact you via email for the purpose of providing announcements, promotions, alerts, confirmations, surveys, and/or other general communication.

If you would like to stop receiving communications via email from IntrIS, you may opt out of such communications by clicking the unsubscribe link at the bottom of the email.

External Data Storage Sites

We may store your data on servers provided by third party hosting vendors with whom we have contracted.

Changes to this Statement

IntrIS reserves the right to change this Privacy Policy from time to time. We will notify you about significant changes in the way we treat personal information by sending a notice to the primary email address specified in your account, by placing a prominent notice on our site, and/or by updating any privacy information on this page. Your continued use of the Site and/or Services available through this Site after such modifications will constitute your: (a) acknowledgment of the modified Privacy Policy; and (b) agreement to abide and be bound by that Policy.

Contact Information

IntrIS welcomes your questions or comments regarding this Statement of Privacy. If you believe that IntrIS has not adhered to this Statement, please contact us at: +1-323-342-6459 or info@intris.org, or by postal mail to:
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