

CODE OF CONDUCT

Template

All communities should have a Code of Conduct in place. Members should know it exists and have been given the chance to read it. Members do **NOT** need to sign this document; they are for their information only.

Please amend to fit your communities' needs and return to communities@stamma.org

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1. Our community provides an inclusive non-judgemental environment, where people can share their experiences in confidence. Where no-one feels the need to hide their stammer, and where members can choose whether to stammer or use strategies to control it.
2. We only promote evidence-based therapies or interventions which offer realistic expectations of change and **NOT** a cure. While some members may wish to practice techniques in the group, these will not be pushed onto others.
3. Our community is a safe space for members regardless of sex, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, physical appearance, ethnicity, religion or the way they wish to sound or express themselves. We don't tolerate abusive or discriminatory language or behaviour.
4. We encourage people to use neutral and unbiased language when describing stammering.
5. What is said and shared within the community should stay in the community.
6. Don't make personal contact with a member outside the community without their permission.
7. Confidentiality may only be breached for safeguarding reasons. *See Safeguarding policy.*

Name of your community: _____

Signature of community organiser: _____

Date of signature: _____