

Digestive Disease Week® (DDW) Product Theater Rules and Regulations

Eligibility

Only Digestive Disease Week® (DDW) Industry Supporters who have secured exhibit space are eligible to apply for a Product Theater slot, subject to availability and adherence to all published guidelines. In the event a company reserves an exhibit space but cancels prior to DDW or is a no-show on the exhibit floor, permission to hold the Product Theater will be revoked. This policy will be strictly enforced, no refunds will be given, and any violation will result in the loss of priority points earned for DDW 2025 for the supporting company.

All timeslots for Product Theaters must be secured no later than March 7, 2025.

Fee

The fee for one time slot is \$30,000. With the purchase of each time slot, you also receive a complimentary attendee mailing list and a printed and digital Industry Showcase Poster. Companies are eligible to secure more than one time slot.

Payment Terms

All DDW Product Theaters and Sponsorship Opportunities will be billed at 100% upon selection and execution of the sponsorship contract. Payment is due no later than 30 days from the date of order. Failure to make full payment by this date will result in the item being placed back into inventory for another party to purchase and Product Theater organizers will incur cancellation fees for the Product Theater (see below). DDW reserves the right to reject or resell any opportunity if payment is not received within 30 days. If an order is placed after Feb. 7, 2025, payment will be due upon reservation. DDW reserves the right to not fulfill any unpaid Sponsorship Opportunities. Please make sure to include your company name and invoice number on all forms of payment. Industry Supporters that use sister/parent/third-party companies to make payments need to reference the company name on the invoice.

Cancellation Fee

Any Industry Supporter canceling a Product Theater must notify DDW in writing and will be charged a fee based on the following schedule:

- On or before Jan. 10, 2025:
 - 50% of total fee is due, regardless of whether the timeslot is re-sold.
- After Jan. 10, 2025:
 - 100% of total fee is due, regardless of whether the timeslot is re-sold.

Product Theater cancellations will result in automatic cancellation of any sponsorship opportunities secured for the Product Theater. No refunds will be provided for these other opportunities.

Deadlines*

You will need to submit the following using the [Product Theater Information Form](#) no later than March 7, 2025:

- Title
- Topic/Brand
- 50-Word Description
- Speaker(s)
- Educational Tracks – Choose up to 3

You will also need to submit an [Industry Showcase Poster Form](#) by February 21, 2025 to indicate if you will be utilizing your complimentary Industry Showcase poster.

*It is the supporter's responsibility to meet these deadlines. Failure to meet these deadlines could result in website, signage, and other onsite promotional materials with outdated information or forfeiting the opportunity to utilize the complimentary promotional materials.

Logistics

The sponsoring company shall be solely responsible for the management of the logistics of their Product Theater, and for payment of additional costs related to the Product Theater including, but not limited to, catering, electrical, and/or internet. DDW does not provide logistical support for Product Theaters apart from the services specifically listed below.

Freeman AV is the exclusive provider of audio-visual services. Expenses for additional services and additional electrical costs incurred are the responsibility of the sponsoring company. Any additional equipment needed must be approved by DDW and items must not alter the setup of the Product Theater in any way. Added items will need to be added for the entire day as not to impact or disturb other Product Theaters or activities scheduled in this space.

The following AV is included:

- Lavalier microphones
- One podium microphone
- One wired aisle microphone
- One confidence monitor
- Two 90-inch monitors
- Two 70-inch monitors
- VGA switcher
- Sound amplification and mixer system
- Electricity for the above

Lead retrieval will not be provided. If you wish to collect leads from your Product Theater, it is your responsibility to coordinate with our official vendor CDS. Information on Lead Retrieval can be found on the Industry Supporter Dashboard.

All Product Theaters must end by your designated end time. DDW reserves the right to cut off your presentation if the presentation extends past the end time.

Services Provided by Show Management

- A theater in the Exhibit Hall that will seat up to 200 people.
- Listing of the Product Theater time and supporter on [ddw.org](#), the DDW mobile app, and online planner
- Day of push notifications on the mobile app.
 - This is not specific to your theater. It will have general Product Theater messaging
- Complimentary mailing list of pre-registered attendees, upon request only.
 - You will need to submit an [Attendee Mail List Request Form](#) to receive the list.
- Complimentary printed and digital Industry Showcase Poster.
 - The complimentary Industry Showcase Poster must promote your Product Theater. Artwork solely promoting either a brand or your booth will not be approved.

Pre-Meeting Policies

- All products and services discussed at DDW shall be related to digestive health or GI practice and to DDW's mission and must be of professional or educational benefit or interest to meeting participants.
- Programs may NOT offer CME credit.
- **Promotional and Marketing Materials: All promotional and marketing materials must be approved by DDW prior to distribution. It is the sole responsibility of the sponsor to work with DDW to receive approval of materials.**

On-site Policies: Posters/Flyers

Posters and flyers may be displayed and distributed in the following locations only:

- Industry Showcase Area
 - Industry Supporters are responsible for printing their flyers for the Industry Showcase Area and ensuring that their flyers are restocked. The General Services Contractor will print the posters for this area.
- The exhibiting company's booth
- Outside the DDW Theaters
 - Posters outside the theaters must remain within five feet of the theater's main entrance. They can only remain up for the duration of the corresponding Product Theater. DDW will not provide sign holder or easel for these things.

Industry Supporters are responsible for printing any posters they plan on having in their booth or outside of the DDW Theater.

Use of the DDW Name and Logo

- All material must contain the following statement: "The Product Theater content and views expressed therein are those of the sponsor and not of Digestive Disease Week®." This statement must appear on the cover/front page of any copy using at least a 10 pt font size.
- The DDW logo may not be used in any promotions, advertisements, meeting materials or correspondence related to the program.

Food and Beverage

Industry Supporters are encouraged to provide catering at their own expense for the participants attending the Product Theater. **If the supporter is providing food and beverage for your Product Theater, it is your responsibility to order porter service to clean the area for the next group.** It is the responsibility of the supporter to ensure that attendees and speakers clear the theater at the end of your session in a timely manner.

Limitation of Liability

The supporting company and affiliates shall indemnify DDW and its component societies against all claims, demands, actions, expenses, damages, penalties, attorney's fees, or proceedings incurred by DDW because of the publications distributed at, statements made during or any other conduct arising out of or in any way connected with the Product Theater.

Security and Insurance

The Product Theater area will not be secured. DDW will not be liable for damage or loss to the supporting company's property, nor shall DDW be liable for any injury that may occur in the area.

Compliance

Failure to comply with any of these rules will result in the loss of priority points earned for DDW 2025 for the exhibiting company.