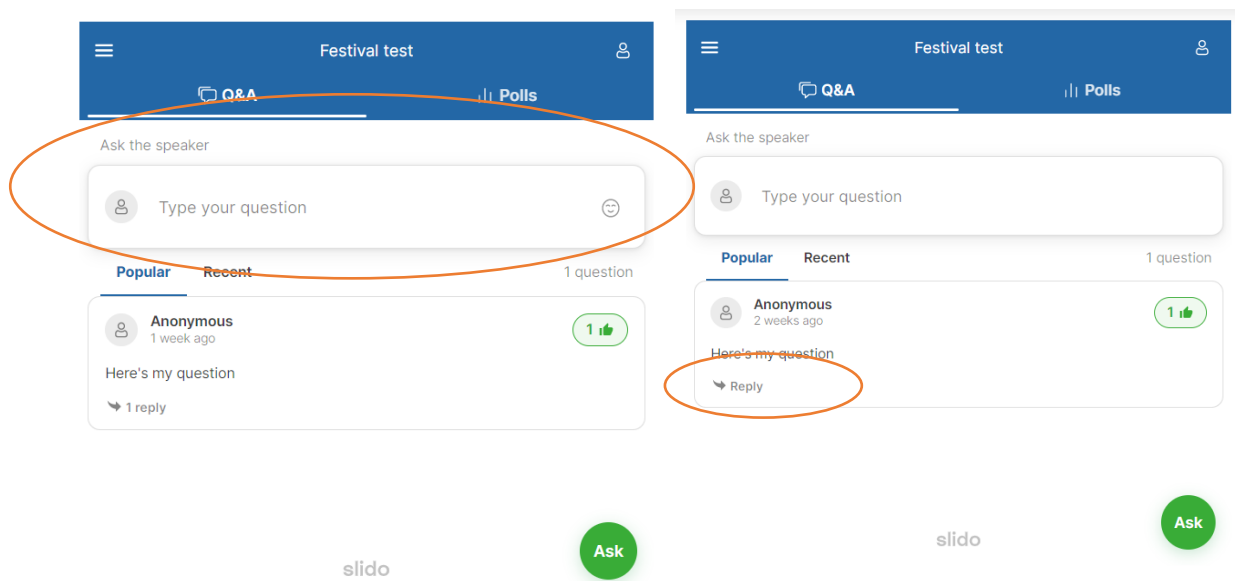


# autistica Research Festival

## Code of Conduct

### Using the Q&A system

- You will be able to communicate using the Q&A system below our live stream video which will be available to view from the morning of Monday 11 July.
- This will enable you to pose questions to the presenters and talk to other audience members. You can send your own messages and reply to other people messages.



- Please leave any technical issues and problems out of this chat function and if you are having any technical issues please email: [events@autistica.org.uk](mailto:events@autistica.org.uk).

### Constructive and respectful communication

- We ask all audience members to be respectful of the time and energy of everyone and be aware that we have audience members and speakers with a wide range of experiences and backgrounds. You may not agree with everything you hear and that's ok, we encourage open and respectful discussion and questions at all our online and in-person events and on social media accounts (#AutisticaFestival).
- Online-only communication can sometimes feel awkward or meaning or nuance may not always be able to concisely be portrayed during virtual sessions. Please recognise that if there is confusion, or interruptions during a session this is not intentional.
- If we find anyone to be targeting individuals in a way that can be read as harassment or bullying or acting in a way that stops others from being able to participate in a session, then we will remove you and your questions from the session and from future events.

## **Support services**

- Over the week we will be hearing from a wide range of autism researchers, autistic people, family members and professionals. Many of whom will be referencing, and discussing, suicide and poor mental health and autistic people's experiences of eating disorders, which some viewers may find upsetting or distressing.
- Please take regular breaks if you feel you need them and read our [support services](#) document.
- All sessions are recorded and will be available on our YouTube within a month of the Festival ending.