



Compendium of School of Medicine and University Policies on Industry and other Professional Relationships and its intersection with the Research COI Office

“Industry Relations Policy”

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Guidelines for principled
involvement with industry and
other entities

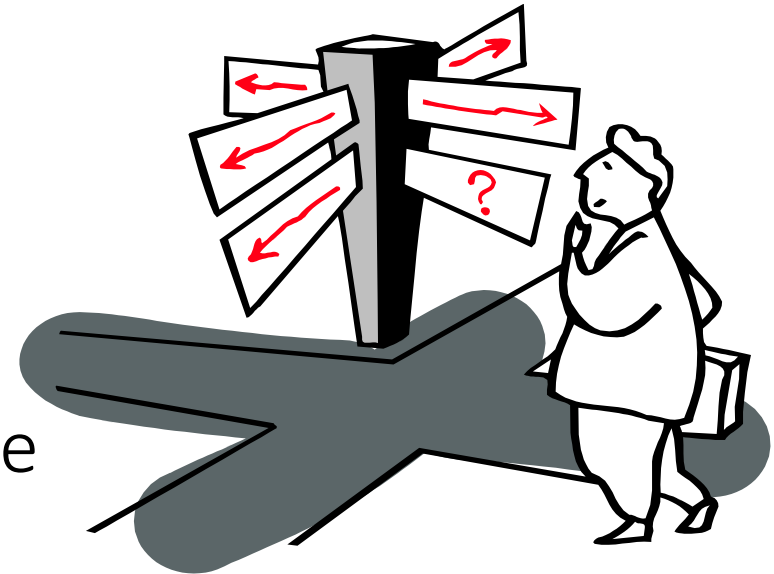


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What's considered industry?

- ❖ Biotechnology, pharmaceutical, or medical device or equipment companies
- ❖ Medical software companies
- ❖ Biomedical investment companies
- ❖ For-profit educational companies
- ❖ Foundations sponsored by any of the above





Why do we care?

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"Try this—I just bought a hundred shares."

- ❖ Patient Welfare
- ❖ Protection of human subjects
- ❖ Research Integrity
- ❖ Public trust/institutional credibility
- ❖ Role models to students & trainees



Personal External Activities

- ❖ Via eDisclose, faculty must request approval from Department and Dean's Office to engage in personal external professional activities.
- ❖ If an activity's eDisclose end date is expiring but you intend to continue to providing services, you must submit a new report with an extended end date (the information from the prior report can be copied over).



Traditional Academic Activities (eDisclose submission not required)

- ❖ Speaking at a professional meeting hosted by a university, professional society, government entity, or a non-profit organization in which compensation received (if any) is not provided to faculty by industry
- ❖ Serving on a government advisory panel or a government grant review body
- ❖ Publishing a book
- ❖ Serving as a Journal Editor





Permitted External Activities (eDisclose submission is required)

Examples include:

- ❖ Clinical/scientific Advisory board services
- ❖ Legal consulting
- ❖ Data monitoring committee services
- ❖ Industry-sponsored educational presentations
- ❖ Physician proctoring at non-Emory facilities
- ❖ Outside faculty appoint



Prohibited External Activities

Examples include:

- ❖ Practice of Medicine and/or ownership in medical practice
- ❖ Providing marketing/sales advice
- ❖ Engaging in promotional activities for industry and/or providing an educational presentation at an event that is primarily promotional (e.g. trade show)
- ❖ Engagement in research (except with approved outside university appointment)
- ❖ Engagement in market surveys
- ❖ Providing investment advice
- ❖ Including name on ghost-written article



Intersection with the Research COI Office

- ❖ The Dean's Office does not review external activities for potential research COI and relies on the Research COI Office for such review
- ❖ When faculty submit Pre-Approval Requests to engage in personal external activities via eDisclose, if they are also engaged in research related to the entity, based on their responses in the PAR, the Research COI Office might receive a review prompt through the system
- ❖ If the Research COI Office implements a Research COI Management Plan and such plan involves assignment of an outside reviewer for the faculty member's research, the Dean's Office assigns such reviewer



Disclosure Profiles

- ❖ Faculty must complete an annual questionnaire regarding professional and financial relationships which may create real or perceived conflict in their mission related roles of teaching, research, service or patient care.
- ❖ This information is needed for several reasons:
 - ❖ Annually, the Research COI Office certifies to PHS, that all researchers receiving government funds have completed this form
 - ❖ Compliance with conflict-of-interest policies such as procurement, internal controls, nepotism, etc.
 - ❖ Accrediting body (LCME) reviews completion rate when conducting accreditation review and expects 100% faculty completion



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