

ACR CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

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SECTION A - CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

A conflict of interest may be considered to exist if a faculty member of a continuing educational program is affiliated with, or has a financial interest in, commercial organizations that may have a direct or indirect interest in the subject matter of his/her presentation. A "financial interest" may include, but is not limited to, being a shareholder in the organization; being on retainer with the organization; or having research or honoraria paid by the organization. An "affiliation" may be holding a position on an advisory committee or some other role of benefit to a sponsoring organization.

The intent of this disclosure requirement is not to prevent a speaker with a conflict of interest from making a presentation but to make known the relationship, in advance, to the audience. It is intended that any conflict be openly identified so that with the full disclosure of the facts, the attendees may form their own judgments about the presentation. In some instances, the prospective audience must be made aware of the affiliation/financial interest by an acknowledgment in the faculty listings appearing in the program or syllabus.

Please check those which apply:

- _____ 1. I do not have a financial interest, arrangement, or affiliation with a commercial organization that may have a direct or indirect interest in the subject matter of my presentation.
- _____ 2. I have/had a financial interest, arrangement, or affiliation with a commercial organization that may have a direct or indirect interest in the subject matter of my presentation, as described below.

NOTE! If you completed #2, you are responsible for disclosing this information to the audience at the beginning of your presentation.

Print Name

Signature

Date

SECTION B -DISCLOSURE OF INVESTIGATIONAL USE OR "OFF-LABEL" USE OF MEDICAL DEVICES OR PHARMACEUTICALS

Please circle those which apply:

1. **I will/I will not** discuss or describe during my presentation at the above CME program a use of a medical device or pharmaceutical that is classified by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as investigational for the intended use.
2. **I will/I will not** discuss or describe during my presentation at the above CME program use of a medical device or pharmaceutical that is "off-label," e.g., a use not described on the product's label. I will specifically disclose that the FDA has not cleared the device or pharmaceutical for the specific "off-label" use.

If indicated above that you will discuss products relating to items 1 and/or 2, you are responsible for disclosing this information to the audience at the beginning of your presentation.

Print Name

Signature

Date

Your cooperation in complying with these requirements is appreciated.

Return this form by November 22, 2002 to:

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American College of Radiology Conflicts of Interest

The American College of Radiology depends to a great extent on the knowledge, expertise, and efforts of members who volunteer their services, and it is desirable that as many members as possible participate in its activities. The confidence that members of the profession and the public have in radiology and radiologists depends on the integrity of those who represent the College.

Chancellors, officers, committee or commission members, staff, volunteers, and all others representing or acting on behalf of the American College of Radiology should avoid conflicts of interest or the appearance of conflicts of interest. All decisions and actions considered or made by such individuals should be based solely on the best interests of the College and in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Personal considerations should not be a factor in any action or decision made on behalf of the American College of Radiology.

What Is a Conflict of Interest?

A conflict of interest occurs whenever an individual or a member of his or her immediate family has a direct or indirect interest or relationship, financial or otherwise, that may conflict or be inconsistent with the individual's duties, responsibilities, or exercise of independent judgment in any transaction or matter involving the College.

A conflict of interest does not necessarily imply that an individual is ineligible to serve on a College committee, commission, or task force or cannot represent the College in a specific situation, but it may indicate that participation in some matters should be avoided or limited. Questions relating to whether a conflict might arise should be referred to the chair of the Board of Chancellors or the College's executive director.

Reporting Conflicts of Interest

If an individual has an actual or potential conflict of interest relating to business or transactions before the College, he or she should immediately notify the chair of his or her commission, committee, or task force or the chair of the Board of Chancellors *and* the executive director of the College. Members of the College's staff should disclose potential or actual conflicts of interests to the executive director. The executive director should disclose his own conflicts of interest to the chair of the Board of Chancellors. In making the disclosure, the individual should reveal all material facts about the conflict of interest and explain his or her relationship to the transaction or matter at issue. In some circumstances, full disclosure of the conflict may in itself be sufficient to ensure the integrity of College operations.

If a conflict of interest arises in connection with the activities of a deliberative body, such as a commission, committee, or the Board of Chancellors, the conflict should be disclosed to the other members of the body and the individual should not participate in the consideration of the matter at issue. Any withdrawal by a member of a commission, committee, or task force and the reasons for it should be recorded in the minutes of the meeting. Councilors and alternate councilors with a conflict of interest relating to a policy matter before the Council may participate in debate on that issue after disclosing the conflict to the Council but should refrain from voting.

When a conflict arises from an individual's presentation or participation in a seminar, workshop, or other such event, or in connection with an individual's contributions to a College publication, the facts giving rise to the conflict should be disclosed to other participants, attendees, or readers and the individual should clearly identify his or her statements or contributions as personal opinions.