

CONFLICT OF INTEREST (COI) GUIDELINES

As a proposed presenter (speaker or author) at a Jefferson-sponsored CME activity (“CME FACULTY”), the Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University Committee on CME, in compliance with the Accreditation Council on Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) Standards for Commercial Support, wants you to be aware of the following requirements.

1. Conflict of Interest (COI) Disclosure Form from CME Faculty

- 📖 You need to complete and submit a Conflict of Interest Form to the Office of CME. This can be done online at <https://cme.jefferson.edu/>.
- 📖 COI information must be submitted for review before your contribution to the CME activity can be certified for credit.
- 📖 The presence of a conflict of interest will be evaluated via the Committee on CME Conflict of Interest Policy, which may include a member of the committee contacting you to discuss the COI information.
- 📖 The ACCME Standard for COI requires that CME Faculty who do not provide COI information be disqualified from participating in the CME activity.

2. Timing of submission of COI form for faculty (presenters/authors)

- 📖 All faculty presenters or authors involved in the CME activity need to submit their COI Form to the OCME within the specified time: a **minimum** of 60 days prior to the start of the activity.

3. Implications of the COI Policy

- 📖 The COI Policy calls for a member of the Committee on CME to assess the apparent conflict of interest in relation to commercial bias and scientific rigor of the content. In the event a significant COI is disclosed, the Committee on CME may require additional information from you in order to accurately assess the impact of the conflict of interest on the CME activity.
- 📖 Should the conflict of interest be assessed as “unresolvable” CME credit cannot be awarded.
- 📖 If there is insufficient time to complete substantive review and COI resolution for participating faculty, the activity (or portions of the activity) will not qualify for Jefferson-sponsored CME credit.
- 📖 The amount of CME credit ultimately awarded to any Jefferson-sponsored CME activity is dependent upon compliance with the COI Policy of the Committee on CME.
- 📖 CME Faculty who have identified COI may be monitored for compliance during the course of their presentations by a designate of the Committee on CME.

Questions?

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