

# **Conflict of Interest in Development Activities Policy**

## **Scope**

This policy applies to all Mayo Clinic staff involved in Department of Development solicitation activities. Also applies to all members of the Mayo Clinic Community Accountable Care Organization, LLC Governing Board (ACO Board) as well as ACO Corporate Officers.

## **Purpose**

To manage conflicts of interest between Mayo Clinic and their potential benefactors.

## **Policy**

Within Department of Development solicitation activities, should a benefactor express interest in receiving favorable consideration for a future business relationship with Mayo Clinic or any of its entities based on past, current or future gifts, the Department of Development will immediately cease any solicitation efforts and inform the benefactor that until any current or future proposed business contract has been culminated, no further gifts can be accepted.

Following execution of a purchase agreement or selection of an alternate vendor, the Department of Development may resume solicitation.

Within the Department of Development negotiation process and within the final gift agreement, language must be included clearly stating that gifts to Mayo Clinic will not influence Mayo policies regarding ownership of intellectual property, purchasing policies and processes, education, employment, and/or research decisions.

The gift agreement also must state that any proposed use of the Mayo name by the vendor must be reviewed by the Mayo Clinic Brand Team and that the gift to Mayo Clinic does not represent a direct endorsement of the benefactor's organization, its products or services.

## **Related Procedure(s)**

N/A

## **Related Document(s)**

N/A

## **Definitions**

N/A

## **References**

N/A

## **Approved by**

Conflict of Interest Review Board

Mayo Clinic Board of Governors 12/2013

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**Revision History**

Date	Synopsis of Change
05/13/2019	Minor Revision - Initial ACO acronym changed to Accountable Care Organization.
05/05/2019	Revised - Added ACO statement to Scope as required by CMS and checked document into the Policy and Procedure Management System.
08/02/2016	Created separate policies by subject versus one conflict of Interest Policy.