Conflict of Interest in Education Policy

Scope
This policy applies to all Mayo Clinic staff in position to control Continuing Medical Education (CME) content. 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 ensure that CME programming, including recommendations for treatment and therapeutic options, is free from bias.

Policy
Financial disclosures related to education activities are governed by general Mayo Clinic Conflict of Interest Policies.

All individuals in position to control CME content – including planners, faculty, and course directors – must disclose all relevant financial relationships, of any amount within the past 12 months, to the Mayo School of Continuous Professional Development.

The Mayo School of Continuous Professional Development is required to ensure proper review of these potential conflicts and to resolve those conflicts prior to continued participation.

A financial interest does not mean that an individual cannot participate in the CME activity. School staff will work with the course director and individuals involved to appropriately manage these potential conflicts.

The Conflict of Interest Review Board will provide assistance in reviewing and determining if a disclosed financial interest results in a conflict of interest with respect to educational activities.

Policy Notes
N/A

Related Procedure(s)
N/A

Related Document(s)
N/A

Definitions

Financial Interest
Anything of monetary value, whether or not the value is readily ascertainable.

References
N/A
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Revision History

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<td>Minor Revision - Initial ACO acronym changed to Accountable Care Organization.</td>
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<td>Revised - Added ACO statement to Scope as required by CMS and checked document into the Policy and Procedure Management System.</td>
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<td>Added financial disclosure statement related to education as the first paragraph under Policy.</td>
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<td>Created separate policies by subject versus one Conflict of Interest Policy.</td>
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