



CME Statements & Commercial Conflict of Interest

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AOA Statement

The Utah Osteopathic Medical Association (UOMA) is accredited by the American Osteopathic Association to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The UOMA designates this [*type of activity*] program for a maximum of [*# of approved credits*] AOA Category 1-A credits and will report CME and specialty credits commensurate with the extent of the physician's with the extent of their participation in this activity.

ACCME Statement (UOMA Accredited CME Sponsor in conjunction with another organization)

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), the Utah Osteopathic Medical Association (UOMA) and the [*your organization's name*]. The AOA is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The AOA/UOMA designates this [*type of activity*] activity for a maximum of [*# of approved credits*] *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)*TM. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Definition of Ineligible Company

An ineligible company is any entity producing, marketing, re-selling, selling, or distributing health care goods or services consumed by, or used on, patients. An ineligible company is not eligible for CME accreditation. Ineligible companies cannot be accredited providers and cannot be joint providers. See the *Standards for Integrity and Independence in Accredited Continuing Education* for explanation of eligible and ineligible companies.

Conflict of interest = relevant commercial financial relationship + opportunity to impact content

UOMA, in accordance to AOA and ACCME policy, expects accredited organizations to ensure independence of ineligible companies by:

1. Identifying relevant financial relationships between ineligible companies and those who plan, teach, and implement CME. Use Financial Relationship Disclosures to document these relationships or to document no relationships.
2. Resolving conflicts of interest that arise when those with relevant financial relationships with ineligible companies have the opportunity to control CME content related to the products or services of those ineligible companies.
3. Disclosing to learners the identified relevant financial relationships for those in control of CME content prior to the educational activity or disclosing that there were no relevant financial relationships.

Exceptions of Commercial Interest

Clinical providers directly servicing patients are *not* considered ineligible companies, unless the clinical provider is owned, or controlled by, an ACCME-defined commercial interest.

CME Financial Relationship Disclosures to Learners

All accredited CME activities must disclose to the learners any conflicts of interest or the lack of conflicts by adding the disclosure to the agenda, or a projected slide, or a table tent at registration table, or verbally (which this method must be attested to having been used), etc.

No Conflicts Disclosure

No one involved in planning or presenting this activity has any relevant financial relationships to disclose.

Conflicts Disclosure

The following individuals have disclosed relevant financial relationships with an ineligible company(ies) and conflicts of interest have been mitigated:

Disclosure to learners must include each of the following:

- 1) The names of the individuals with relevant financial relationships.
- 2) The names of the ineligible companies with which they have relationships.
- 3) The nature of the relationships.
- 4) A statement that all relevant financial relationships have been mitigated.

The remaining individuals involved in the planning or presentation of this activity have no relevant financial relationships to disclose.

Resolution of Financial Relationship Conflict of Interests

Please contact the UOMA Executive Director for methods to resolve conflicts of interest.

Possible methods may include:

- Peer review the content to determine there are no conflicts.
- Write a letter defining expectations how to present content without bias.