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Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada College of Family Physicians of Canada Guide to Frequently Asked Questions about the Disclosure of Conflict of Interest(s)

Reference: National Standard for Support of Accredited CPD Activities

General Information:

You must disclose any financial ties/affiliations with for-profit and not-for-profit entities that may be perceived by the audience as sources of bias, even when these relationships are not relevant to content. Disclosure should include, but are not limited to, funds received in the previous two years.

Frequently Asked Questions:

- Do I need to list my professional corporation?
 No, you do not need to declare a relationship with your own corporation.
- 2. Do I need to disclose remuneration from an insurance company for writing a letter for a patient? No, you do not need to disclose this remuneration.
- 3. Do I need to disclose my alternative funding relationship with a university or provincially funded hospital?

Yes, you need to disclose this remuneration.

- 4. Do I need to disclose honoraria for speaking at not-for profit courses or grand rounds? Yes, you need to disclose any honoraria received.
- 5. Do I need to list all affiliations as an unpaid volunteer (e.g. with a patient advocacy group or an adjunct professor at a university)?

No, volunteer positions do not include remuneration.

6. Do I need to disclose all my grants/trials including those from not-for-profit non-governmental agencies?

Yes, all grants need to be disclosed.

- 7. Do I need to disclose research grants from government agencies e.g. CIHR grants, NSERC grants, grants from provincial agencies such as the Ministry of Health? Yes, all grants need to be disclosed.
- 8. Do I need to list not-for-profit funding agencies if I am seeing patients in a clinical trial funded by a not-for-profit agency but I do not receive any remuneration?

No, you do not need to disclose in the absence of remuneration.

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