

University of Iowa Health Care

#### WRITTEN AGREEMENT FOR COMMERCIAL SUPPORT

The University of Iowa Roy J. and Lucille A. Carver College of Medicine is committed to presenting CME activities that promote improvements or quality in healthcare and are independent of the control of commercial interests. As part of this commitment, the UI Carver College of Medicine has outlined in this written agreement the terms, conditions, and purposes of commercial support for its CME activities. Commercial Support is defined as financial, or in-kind, contributions given by a commercial interest<sup>i</sup>, which is used to pay all or part of the costs of a CME activity.

Title of CME Activity		
Activity Location	Activity Date	
Name of Commercial Interest(i)		
Amount of Support (Direct or In-Kind)		

<sup>1</sup> The ACCME defines a Commercial Interest as any entity producing, marketing, re-selling, or distributing health care goods or services consumed by, or used on, patients. The ACCME does not consider providers of clinical service directly to patients to be commercial interests - unless the provider of clinical service is owned, or controlled by, an ACCME-defined commercial interest.

### TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND PURPOSES

## Independence

- 1. This activity is for scientific and educational purposes only and will not promote any specific proprietary business interest of the Commercial Interest.
- 2. The Accredited Provider is responsible for all decisions regarding the identification of educational needs, determination of educational objectives, selection and presentation of content, selection of all persons and organizations that will be in a position to control the content of the CME, selection of education methods, and the evaluation of the activity.

#### **Appropriate Use of Commercial Support**

- 3. The Accredited Provider will make all decisions regarding the disposition and disbursement of the funds from the Commercial Interest.
- 4. The Commercial Interest will not require the Accredited Provider to accept advice or services concerning teachers, authors, or participants or other education matters, including content, as conditions of receiving this grant.
- 5. All commercial support associated with this activity will be given with the full knowledge and approval of the Accredited Provider. No other payments shall be given to the director of the activity, planning committee members, teachers or authors, joint sponsor, or any others involved with the supported activity.
- 6. The Accredited Provider will upon request, furnish the Commercial Interest documentation detailing the receipt and expenditure of the commercial support.

## **Commercial Promotion**

- 7. Product-promotion material or product-specific advertisement of any type is prohibited in or during the CME activity. The juxtaposition of editorial and advertising material on the same products or subjects is not allowed. Live or enduring promotional activities must be kept separate from the CME activity. Promotional materials cannot be displayed or distributed in the education space immediately before, during or after a CME activity. Commercial Interests may not engage in sales or promotional activities while in the space or place of the CME activity.
- 8. The Commercial Interest may not be the agent providing the CME activity to the learners.

#### Disclosure

9. The Accredited Provider will ensure that the source of support from the Commercial Interest is disclosed to learners prior to the beginning of the educational activity. When commercial support is 'in-kind' the nature of the support must be disclosed to learners. The disclosure must not include corporate logos, trade names or product-group messages. The disclosure may state the name, mission and clinical involvement of the Commercial Interest.

The Commercial Supporter and the UI Carver College of Medicine agree to abide by all requirements of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) Updated Standards for Commercial Support of Continuing Medical Education (2004).

# **Agreed by Authorized Representatives**

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