Vendor Interactions Policy #0.16

I. Purpose

This policy articulates KCU-GME Consortium's expectations related to vendor representatives/corporations and their interactions with residents/fellows, faculty, and support personnel acting on behalf of KCU-GME Consortium-sponsored programs.

II. Scope

This policy applies to all programs sponsored by the KCU-GME Consortium, including residents/fellows, faculty, and medical education support personnel acting on behalf of the program. KCU residents/fellows rotating to participating sites must abide by that site's policy regarding interactions with industry representatives.

III. Policy

Pharmaceutical or vendor representatives may not interact with residents/fellows without a faculty member being present.

Pharmaceutical or vendor representatives may attend, but may not participate in any general educational programs.

Residents/Fellows are prohibited from accepting pharmaceutical samples for self-use.

Residents/Fellows may not participate as paid presenters or speakers in industrysponsored programs, such as lectures and panels, without the express permission of the Program Director. Residents/Fellows participating in such activity must report the actual time spent in this activity for clinical and educational work hour purposes, and must disclose to the Program Director the amount of any compensation offered, including nonmonetary items.

Programs should provide training to residents/fellows on vendor relations and conflicts of interest, including reference to this policy and other relevant institutional policies.

Program leadership should be aware of and discuss with residents/fellows any interaction with representatives from vendors to ensure that any contacts are within the scope and spirit of this policy.

Interactions that appear to place the resident/fellow in a position of obligation to or influence by the vendor should be explicitly discouraged.

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