



OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY  
**CENTER FOR HEALTH SCIENCES**

**Graduate Medical Education Policy**

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**Policy Title: Interaction with Vendors**

**Purpose:** To describe the methods of Interaction with Vendors for residents and fellows.

**Interaction with Vendors**

This policy addresses interactions between vendor representatives/corporations and residents/fellows and ACGME-accredited and AOA approved programs. This policy also applies to educational conferences organized through OSU-CHS's Graduate Medical Education (GME) program. Each member institution will have individual policies regulating vendor entry into the facility.

GME conferences must have as their primary purpose the dissemination of objective scientific information or educational activities. Acceptance of educational support must never be made, conditioned on, or related in any way to pre-existing or future business relationships with industry.

1. Residents and fellows (collectively, "residents") of OSU-CHS are prohibited from accepting gifts from pharmaceutical company representatives and other industry representatives that are intended to influence, or may have the effect of influencing, the residents' health care decision. Residents should refrain from accepting gifts and participating in activities offered by industry representatives, except for the generally permitted items and activities included on the list below:
  - a. Receipt of medical textbooks, including electronic medical education resources.
  - b. Participation in industry-supported educational programs. Attendance at educational programs that are not accredited by an ACCME or AOA-accredited provider should be approved in advance by the Program Director and/or the DIO. Registration fees and other support for participation in educational programs should not be accepted directly by any resident from an industry representative. Questions regarding attendance at and support for educational programs should be addressed to the OSU-CHS member-sponsored institution's office of GME.
2. Residents should not participate in activities or accept gifts not included on the list above without specific permission from the Program Director or GME office of the sponsored institution. In addition to the OSU-CHS policy, residents and fellows are expected to comply with the policies on vendor interactions in effect at each hospital to which a resident rotates. Where there is discordance between the OSU-CHS policy and the hospital's policy, the more stringent of the two will apply.
3. Questions regarding this policy should be directed to the respective Program Director or the Office of Graduate Medical Education.