WRITTEN AGREEMENT FOR COMMERCIAL SUPPORT

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) is committed to presenting continuing medical education activities that promote improvements in the quality of healthcare services delivered and are independent of the control of commercial interests. As part of this commitment, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center has outlined in this written agreement the terms, conditions, and purposes of commercial support for its CME activities. Commercial support includes financial or in-kind contributions provided by a commercial interest used to pay all or part of the costs of a CME activity.

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| **Title of CME Activity:** |  |
| **Activity Date:** |  | **Activity Location:** |  |
| **Name of Commercial Interest:** |  |
| **Total Amount of Educational Grant:** |  |
| **Direct Funding Amount:** |  | **In Kind Contribution Value:** |  |

**Terms, Conditions, and Purposes**

**Independence**

* This educational activity is for scientific and educational purposes only and will not promote any specific proprietary business interest of the commercial interest.
* TTUHSC is responsible for the identification of educational needs, determination of learning objectives, selection of faculty, education methods, and the evaluation of the activity.

**Appropriate Use of Commercial Support**

* TTUHSC, as the accredited provider, will make all decisions regarding the disposition and disbursement of the funds from the commercial interest.
* The commercial interest will not require TTUHSC to accept advice or services concerning teachers, authors, or participants or other education matters, including content, as conditions of receiving this grant.
* All commercial support associated with this activity will be given with the full knowledge and approval of the Office of Continuing Medical Education at TTUHSC. No other payments shall be given to the director of the activity, planning committee members, teachers or authors, joint sponsor, participants, or any others involved with the supported activity.
* TTUHSC will, upon request, furnish the commercial interest with documentation detailing the receipt and expenditure of the commercial support.

**Commercial Promotion**

* 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.

**Disclosure**

* TTUHSC, as the accredited provider, will ensure that the source of support from the commercial interest, either direct or “in-kind,” is disclosed to the participants in brochures, syllabi, and other program materials.
* The acknowledgment of commercial support will include the company name, may include its clinical focus and corporate logos or slogans that are not product promotional in nature.

The Commercial Supporter and

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center agree to abide by the *Standards for Commercial Support: Standards to Ensure*

*Independence* *in CME Activities* as published by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME).

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**Agreed by Authorized Representatives**

**Accredited Provider Commercial Interest**

*(May only be signed by CME Directors or Managers)*

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