

Proposed New ICS Policy for the Disclosure of Competing Interests

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The ICS introduced a disclosure policy in 2000. There is unanimous agreement that the ICS should continue to have a policy regarding disclosure of financial interests that might conflict or be perceived to conflict with duties, papers, presentations, or activities of ICS members.

- Disclosure should be required from the following:
 1. From members of the Advisory Board, the Executive Committee, and from individual members of ICS committees.
 2. From authors/co-authors of papers/posters submitted to the Scientific Committee for presentation to the Annual Meeting during the automated abstract application process. On published abstracts the disclosures are to be noted in *Neurourology and Urodynamics*. On posters and presentations at the Annual Meeting, the disclosures should be noted on the title slide or the heading of the poster. The ICS office will provide the correct wording for the title and headings so that it is standardized.
 3. All those speaking at ICS events including independent ICS Educational Courses and the workshops/courses at the Annual Meeting.
- As an international organization the process of collecting disclosure statements will be carried out through a secure server operating through a members-only portal on the ICS website.
- The ICS disclosure form provides a checklist of financial interests against which those making disclosure would be required to chart their activities.
 1. Equity interests (or entitlement to same) of stocks, stock options, royalties, etc, including income from patents or copyrights
 2. Service as a director or employment by a commercial organisation, whether or not remuneration is provided for such service
 3. Sole ownership, partnership, or principal of a commercial enterprise
 4. Ownership of patent(s)
 5. Receipt of royalties
 6. Consultant to company including positions on medical or scientific advisory boards
 7. Honoraria for speaking at company sponsored meetings or events.
 8. Participation in clinical trials
 9. Support in the form of fellowships, travel grants, gifts, in-kind donations, etc.
 10. Research grants, partial or full salary support from a financially commercial organisation for self or employees for whom you are managerially responsible (i.e. laboratory technical/research fellow for whom you are managerially responsible.)
 11. Any other type of financial or other relationship

- Disclosure forms must be submitted on or before April 1st of each year. All financial relationships at anytime in the previous 12 months and any that will commence from April 1st to the end of the year of submission of the form must be disclosed.
- Access to all disclosure forms will be available through the members-only portal for all ICS members. Section 6 of the ICS Bylaws should be changed to reflect these new policies and procedures.
- Failure to comply with the ICS disclosure policy will result in: not allowing the presentation to be made at the meeting (if it is disclosure in regard to an abstract) or relinquishment of an ICS position, in the case of an officer, advisory board member, or committee member (i.e., you cannot be elected to or continue to hold such a position without making the disclosure).

INTERNATIONAL CONTINENCE SOCIETY DISCLOSURE FORM

The International Continence Society wishes to ensure independence, objectivity, scientific rigor and a fair balance of representation, in all its individual or jointly sponsored educational activities and on all committees and boards. All ICS board and committee members are requested to complete this form. In addition, all speakers at educational events and all authors and co-authors presenting at the scientific programme of the Annual Meeting are required to make a declaration.

First Name:

Last Name:

ICS Membership Number:

I, the undersigned do not have any existing or known future financial relationships or commercial affiliations to disclose:

Signed:

Date:

I, the undersigned have the following existing or known future financial relationships or commercial affiliations to disclose

Signed:

Dated:

Use the following list to declare your existing or known future financial relationships or commercial affiliations. Mark a cross in the appropriate box and indicate the name of the company.

1. Equity interests (or entitlement to same) of stocks, stock options, royalties, etc, including income from patents or copyrights
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2. Director or employee							
3. Owner							
4. Owner of patent(s)							
5. Royalties							
6. Consultant							
7. Speaker Honorarium							
8. Trial participation							
9. Fellowship, travel grants							
10. Research grant							
11. Other – please indicate							