

# Continuing Professional Development and Conflicts of Interest

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# RCPCH Spring Meeting

- Annual meeting
- York University
- 3.5 days
- Trade exhibition
- Company Sponsorship

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## RCPCH Annual Spring Meeting

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**13th Spring Meeting,  
30 March - 2 April 2009, University of York**

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### Abstracts:

- We are now accepting abstracts for the 2009 meeting.
- **CLOSING DATE: Midnight, Friday 5 December 2008**
- Click the link below to go to the abstract submission screens:

[abstract submission screens](#)

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# RCPCH Spring Meeting Guidance

- “Presenters should avoid material in their presentation that could be construed as promotional. This might include, for example, unnecessary data about a pharmaceutical product or a commercial company logo on every or numerous slides.”
- Milk companies sponsorship heavily debated
- Unethical sponsorship barred

# Commercial Sponsorship and CPD

- Organisers to apply for accreditation
  - At least 6 weeks in advance
  - Send application to CPD Office
  - Programme and evaluation form
- Assessment by Regional Adviser
  - Suitability for CPD
  - Credits for CPD
- Fee of £100 (when accreditation confirmed)
- Reciprocal approval (except RCGP)

# Commercial Courses

## **Organisers Must**

- Apply for CPD approval in advance of the event
- State 'Approved for up to X external CPD credits by the RCPCH'
- Maintain attendance register
- Evaluate relevance, quality and effectiveness of event
- Retain list of participants and evaluation for 18m
  - May be requested by College CPD offices

# Summary

- Guidance on sponsorship often College specific
- Some colleges may have rules determined by majority of members
- College rules should match the Rome guidance