







CME and Consultants Compliance Roundtable

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- The presenter attests that he
 - has no commercial interests or relationships to disclose
 - is not a 20 year veteran of CME and cannot cite you ACCME regulations chapter and verse
 - believes in the current CME environment because it supports good business practice relative to
 - ✓ product quality
 - ✓ customer service
 - ✓ ongoing improvement in processes and systems

Pri-Med: 2005 Educational Offerings



Live

Pri-Med **Conference & Exhibition**

- 4 day meeting
- 6 cities in 2005
- 6.000 attendees
- Clinical content by Harvard Medical School
- Certified for credit by HMS

Pri-Med Updates

- 2 & 3 day meetings
- 45 cities in 2005
- 500 attendees (250 in groups 7, 8, 9) 250 attendees
- Institute

Psychiatry Updates

- 1 day meeting
- 8 cities in 2005
- Certified for credit by Pri-Med Institute Certified for credit by Pri-Med

Pharm-Med Updates

- 2 day meeting
- 8 cities in 2005
- 400 attendees
- · Certified for credit by Pri-Med Institute

Print

Pri-Med in Practice

- Quarterly newsletter
- 6 two-page articles
- 60,000 physicians per quarter
- · Certified for credit by Pri-Med Institute

Pocket Guide Series

- Topic exclusivity
- 32-48 page reference book
- 60,000 physicians per quarter
- Certified for credit by Pri-Med Institute

Online

Pri-Med Condition Resource Centers

- Online CME
- Physician Tools and Resources
- · Quarterly reporting
- · Certified for credit by Pri-Med Institute

Perspectives: Regulatory Environment



- Recent changes in the CME regulatory environment both raise the bar for all CME stakeholders and are responsive to public concerns
 - ACCME placed a firm stake in the ground with its new Standards for Commercial Support
 - Transitions focus from primarily quality of processes to quality of education
 - Responds to the question of "Who benefits from educating physicians?"
 - OIG is forcing stakeholders to reassess and improve business practices
 - Supports major tenets of the AMA guidelines and the PhRMA code
 - Responds to the question of "Who benefits from prescribing by physicians?"
 - AMA (and the ABMS and AAFP) is forcing a reevaluation of the core CME crediting system
 - Provides a focus on improvements in physician practice & patient outcomes
- The regulatory changes are very good for the Business of CME

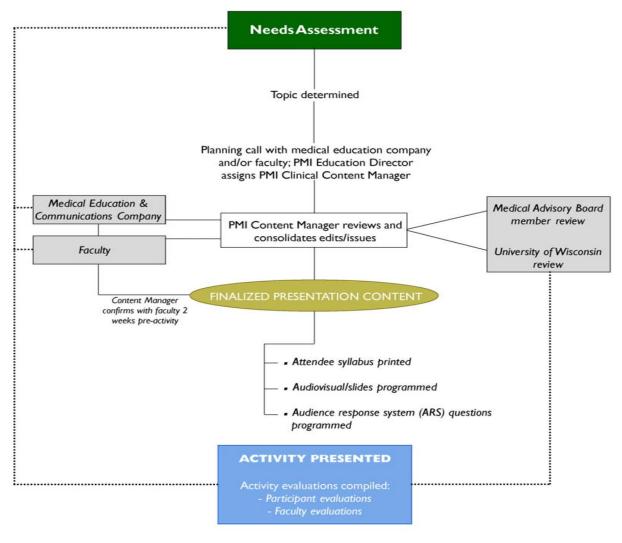
Perspectives: ACCME's New Standards



- Raise the bar
 - Quality: content validation as the new CME "buzzword"
 - Ensuring content is accurate and promotes new or important info
 - Ensuring scientific integrity
 - Control: independence of commercial interests
 - Conflict: transition from disclosure to resolution.
 - Transparency: clarify roles and responsibilities for all parties
- Outcome is a fortified CME enterprise for all involved

Pri-Med Institute Activity Review Processes





Open Issues



- Disclosure of off label indications within commercially supported CME
 - No longer mandated by the ACCME
 - Pri-Med will continue to require disclosure from faculty
- Resolution of Conflict of Interest
 - PMI policies and procedures include
 - "Peer review" / "expert review"
 - Engagement of faculty / author / contributor
- Organizational, financial and procedural realities of new regulations
 - organizations face significant challenges
 - Financial: e.g., funding requirements of a strong content validation process
 - Personnel / resource: Grant application processes and rigors

Thank You

