



# **The 8<sup>th</sup> AsiaPacific Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices Compliance Congress**

## **Code Updates**

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## Key Facts about SAPI

May 1966

**51** yrs

Members Companies

**36**

Associate Members

**6**

Affiliation

**IFPMA**

Code of Ethics & Compliance

**Self - regulation**

Medicines

**Research and Development  
based Companies**

## Changes to SAPI Code - Singapore

Most notable changes are amendments on *'Third Party Educational Events'* sponsorship under section 7.2.4.

Section	Description	w.e.f
7.2	Sponsorship	1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2019
7.5.3	Items of Medical Utility	30 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2018

- (i) Member Companies must not directly and/or indirectly select or influence the **selection** of any HCPS to attend the event. All HCPs from both the public and private sectors should be independently selected by a decision making committee, professional body or medical association whereby selection criteria and processes are legitimate
- (j) No member Company or any representative/agent acting on its behalf may make registration, accommodation and /or travel **arrangements** for any attending individual HCP. **Payment** of any sponsorship must be paid only to the Organisers;



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## Key Changes (1 of 2)

Categories	Comments
<p>1. Third Party Educational Events</p> <p>(definition: any scientific conference, professional program or event sponsored by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party/independent professional association for the purpose of promoting scientific knowledge, medical enhancement or delivery of effective healthcare )</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A <b>non-promotional</b> activity to support CMEs.</li> <li>2. Applies to <b>all</b> HCPs in Singapore.</li> <li>3. Healthcare professionals should be <b>independently</b> selected by a decision making committee, professional body or medical association ("<i>organisers</i>") whereby selection criteria and processes are legitimate.</li> <li>4. Member Companies <b>must not directly and/or indirectly select or influence</b> the selection of any HCPs to attend the event. All HCPs from both the public and private sectors should be independently selected by a decision making committee, professional body or medical association whereby selection criteria and processes are legitimate.</li> <li>5. Member Companies <b>must not offer or directly pay for or reimburse, the expenses</b> of any individual HCP to attend the event.</li> <li>6. No Member Company or any representative/agent acting on its behalf may make <b>registration, accommodation and/or travel arrangements</b> for any attending individual HCP. Payment of any sponsorship must be paid only to the Organisers.</li> <li>7. All sponsorship arrangements must be appropriately <b>documented</b> before and after the Third Party Educational Event. It is recommended that Member Companies collaborate with the Organisers to put in place monitoring processes for the proper disbursement of sponsorship in accordance with the Code</li> </ol>

## Key Changes (2 of 2)

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<p>2. Company Standalone Events</p> <p>(definition : company initiated events)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Member Companies may support Company Standalone Events for HCPs in appropriate venues within Singapore to advance the standards of healthcare and must have the primary objective of enhancing medical knowledge and improving the quality use of medicines in Singapore.</li><li>2. Member Companies must not organize or sponsor Company Standalone Events for HCPs that take place outside of Singapore where the majority ( &gt;51%) of the attendees are Singapore residents.</li></ol>
<p>3. Items of Medical Utility</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Member Companies may provide educational materials and items of medical utility no more than 2x a year/HCP</li><li>2. Items of medical utility may be provided free of charge but must not offset/subsidise routine business expenses that HCPs may otherwise incur, and value cannot be more than SGD200</li></ol>