



CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION POLICIES: Joint Providership

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Background

The Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) defines three types of providership for continuing medical education (CME) activities:

1. A directly provided activity is one that is planned, implemented and evaluated by the accredited provider.
2. A jointly provided activity is one that is planned, implemented and evaluated by one or more accredited provider(s) and one or more non-accredited organizations(s).
3. A co-provided activity is one that is planned, implemented and evaluated by two or more accredited providers.

Procedure

1. Tilman J. Fertitta Family College of Medicine Continuing Medical Education (TJFF COM CME) plans, implements and evaluates CME activities according to the ACCME definitions of providership and offers directly provided, jointly provided and co-provided CME activities.
2. Regarding jointly provided activities, TJFF COM CME takes responsibility for ensuring compliance with ACCME accreditation requirements and must use the appropriate accreditation statement:
3. “This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of (name of accredited provider) and (name of nonaccredited provider). The (name of accredited provider) is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.”
4. Joint providers are prohibited from engaging in any unapproved promotional or marketing activities.
5. Jointly provided activities must be consistent with the CME mission.
6. The roles and responsibilities of TJFF COM CME and joint provider(s) will be stated in a Letter of Agreement (LOA) between TJFF COM CME and the joint provider. TJFF COM CME may withdraw from any jointly provided activity if the joint provider fails to meet its obligations as described in the LOA or fails to comply with CME policies and procedures.



7. TJFF COM must review and approve all activity materials prior to their release. Once materials have been reviewed and approved, no further changes can be made without notifying TJFF COM CME.
8. Joint providers must submit an activity budget to TJFF COM CME for review and approval to ensure that adequate resources have been allocated to activity development consistent with meeting the activity's objectives. The budget must include expenses for TJFF COM staff travel expenses required for activity monitoring.
9. A commercial interest cannot take the role of non-accredited partner in a jointly provided CME activity.
10. TJFF COM CME may charge fees for services provided in jointly provided educational activities according to the current fee schedule and as indicated in the LOA.

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