

Supplementary material for

How do health consumer organisations in Australia manage pharmaceutical industry sponsorship? A cross-sectional study

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HCO websites investigation

Record ID _____

Coder initials EL
 BM
 AF

Date which the website was visited _____

Name of health consumer organisation _____

Website _____

Transparency of financial information

Is information about pharmaceutical industry funding provided? Yes
 No - Corporate funding is mentioned but not specific to pharmaceutical industry funding
 No - Donations and sponsorship are mentioned but not specific to corporate funding
 No - No information about donation and sponsorship available

Where is such information provided? Website
 Annual report
 Financial statement (separated from annual report)
 Other
(As long as pharma funding is mentioned, choose the option for pharma funding, NOT general/corporate funding)

If other, where? _____

How many 'clicks' needed to get access to financial information from home page? _____
(The least number of clicks is recorded if financial information is provided in different places in the site. As long as pharma funding is mentioned, write down the answer for pharma funding, NOT general/corporate funding)

How is the amount of pharmaceutical industry funding reported? Exact amount
 In ranges without upper bound
 In ranges with both upper and lower bound
 Other
 Amount is not reported
(Specific to pharma industry funding only)

What is the reported range/amount of pharmaceutical industry funding? _____
(Collect all available information from 2013 to 2016)

Please specify for "other" _____

Is the proportion of income derived from pharmaceutical industry funding provided?

- Yes
 No
 (If the proportion is not directly provided but can be calculated, please choose "yes", and note this under the next question)

If yes, what is the reported proportion?

Is the use of pharmaceutical industry funding reported?

- Yes
 No
 (Specific to PHARMA funding only)

Details about use of pharmaceutical industry funding if provided

Is the identity of pharmaceutical industry donors stated?

- Yes
 No

Is the amount of funding per pharmaceutical company provided?

- Yes
 No

Company name and amount if provided

Additional notes about reporting

Self-regulating policies

Are there any policies addressing any conflict of interest provided on the website?

- Yes and publicly available
 Yes but not publicly available
 No

Name of conflict of interest policy

Content of conflict of interest policy that is relevant to industry sponsorship

(If the policy is provided as a document, please save the document)

Board members

Is information about the board members provided?

- Yes
 No

Is employment and financing information of board members provided?

- Yes
 No

If yes, are any of the board members currently or previously employed by pharmaceutical companies?

- Yes
 No
 (Please refer to the information provided in the website only, don't google)

Name(s) of the board member(s), company and position

Advisory board members

Is information about the advisory board members provided?

- Yes
- No

Is employment and financing information of ADVISORY board members provided?

- Yes
- No

If yes, are any of the ADVISORY board members currently or previously employed by pharmaceutical companies?

- Yes
 - No
- (Please refer to the information provided in the website only, don't google)

Name(s) of the advisory board member(s), company and position

Advertisements

Are there any of the following forms of advertisements for the pharmaceutical companies?

- Links directing to the companies' websites
 - Logos
 - Banner advertisements for their products
 - Banner advertisements for the companies
 - Company names on home page
 - Others
 - None
- (Only those in the websites, NOT in annual reports)

Please specify for "others"

Where are the links placed?

Where are the logos placed?

Where are the banners placed?

Addition notes about advertisements
