

Commercial Interest

Commercial Interest Organizations are ineligible for accreditation or approval of educational activities.

A Commercial Interest is identified as any entity producing, marketing, reselling, or distributing health care goods or services consumed by or used by patients, or an entity that is owned or controlled by an entity that produces, markets, resells, or distributes healthcare goods or services consumed by or used on patients.

An organization is not a Commercial Interest Organization if it is one of the following:

- A government entity
- A non-profit (503©)organization
- A provider of clinical service directly to patients, including but not limited to hospitals, health care agencies and independent health care practitioners
- An entity whose sole purpose is to improve or support the delivery of health care to patients, including, but not limited to providers or developers of electronic health information systems, database systems, and quality improvement systems
- A non-healthcare related entity whose primary mission is not producing, marketing or selling or distributing health care goods or services consumed by or used on patients
- Liability Insurance providers
- Health Insurance providers
- Group medical practices
- Acute care hospitals (for profit and not for profit)
- Rehabilitation centers (for profit and not for profit)
- Nursing homes (for profit and not for profit)
- Blood banks
- Diagnostic laboratories