



Methodological Note – 2024

Accompanying document for the public disclosure
concerning transfers of value to healthcare
professionals, other relevant decision makers
and healthcare organisations

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1. General introduction

Collaboration between industry and healthcare professionals benefits patients. It is a relationship that has delivered numerous innovative medicines and changed the way many diseases impact on our lives. Industry and healthcare professionals collaborate in a range of activities from clinical research, sharing best clinical practice and exchanging information on how new medicines fit in to the patient pathway. Bringing greater transparency to this, already well-regulated, vital relationship is about building and strengthening the basis for collaboration in the future. Society has increasingly high expectations for transparency, none more so than in healthcare. Takeda, as a member of the European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (“EFPIA”) and the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry (ABPI) want to ensure we meet those expectations going forward.

This methodological note is intended for anyone who wants to better understand the working assumptions used to generate a Takeda UK disclosure report and how the disclosed activities are defined within Takeda. Please note that Shire Pharmaceuticals are now part of Takeda and the disclosure report for 2024 is fully combined.

2. Scope of disclosure

Takeda made several decisions around reportable Transfers of Value under UK Law and the EFPIA and ABPI Codes of Practice.

We have summarized below our interpretation and working assumptions along with a definition of recipients and expenses that are in scope.

2.1. Recipients definition and the scope of disclosure

We introduced an internal process to guarantee that transfers of value are assigned to the correct HCP, oRDM or HCO, and to ensure that the disclosed information is correct and complete (e.g., name, address, unique official ID (if necessary) country where the principal practice is located).

2.1.1. Healthcare professionals (HCPs):

In the disclosure report, Takeda has taken into account the following definition of HCPs with whom we can have Transfers of Value as per the ABPI Code of Practice Clause 1.9:

“The term ‘health professional’ includes members of the medical, dental, pharmacy and nursing professions and any other persons who in the course of their professional activities may administer, prescribe, purchase, recommend or supply a medicine. In relation to the annual disclosure of transfers of value (Clause 28), the term also includes any employee of a pharmaceutical company whose primary occupation is that of a practising health professional.”

The published addresses considered in the disclosure report are public addresses related to the HCP’s primary place of work.

2.1.2. Healthcare Organisations (HCOs):

In the disclosure report, Takeda has taken into account the following definition of HCOs with whom we can have Transfers of Value as per the ABPI Code of Practice Clause 1.8:

“The term ‘healthcare organisation’ means either a healthcare, medical or scientific association or organisation such as a hospital, clinic, foundation, university or other teaching institution or learned society whose business address, place of incorporation or primary place of operation is in Europe or an organisation through which one or more health professionals or other relevant decision makers provide services.

The published addresses considered in the disclosure report are the respective business addresses of the entity.

2.1.3. Other Relevant Decision Makers (oRDM):

The term '*other relevant decision makers*' particularly includes those with an NHS role who could influence in any way the administration, consumption, prescription, purchase, recommendation, sale, supply or use of any medicine, but who are not health professionals.

2.1.4. Companies owned by an HCP

If a healthcare organisation consists of only one healthcare professional or other relevant decision maker, then it would be subject to the requirements in the code regarding individual healthcare professionals. If a healthcare organisation consists of more than one healthcare professional or other relevant decision maker, then it would be subject to the requirements in the code regarding healthcare organisations.

2.1.5. Third Party and Professional Congress Organiser / Education Provider

Third parties are entities or individuals that represent our company in the marketplace or interact with other third parties on behalf of our company or relating to our company's product. Among others, these thirds parties can be distributors, travel agents, consultants, contract research organisations.

Professional Congress Organiser / Education Provider is a company/individual specialized in the organisation and management of congresses, conferences, seminars, educational modules and similar events (all "Events")

2.2. Medical scope

The report refers solely to prescription only medicines and not over-the-counter products.

2.3. Activities definition and the scope of disclosure

Within Takeda, all our interactions with HCPs, oRDMs and HCOs are guided by Takeda internal Policies and Standard Operating Procedures that have been developed in alignment with local country laws and regulations and local industry requirements. Please see below for Takeda UK Company definitions.

2.3.1. Donations and grants

We provide funds, assets or services freely given for the purpose of supporting healthcare, scientific research or education, with no consequent obligation on the recipient to provide goods or services to the benefit of the donor in return. All transfers of value related to donations or grants to a HCO are included in the scope of the disclosure. Such transfers of value include:

i. Donations (physical items, services, benefits in-kind, or charitable contributions)

Benefits in kind include

- a) services, where the value of the transfer has been calculated based on the salary of the person providing the service and a proportion of the service development costs where applicable. The value of these services is disclosed as a transfer of value to the organisation which utilises the service

ii. Grants are the provision of funds to

- a) Address an unmet educational or research need in the medical and patient community
- b) Support improvement in patient outcomes
- c) Promote excellence in patient care

Although Takeda UK's definitions of donations and grants changed during 2024, this has not impacted how the relevant data is displayed on the Disclosure UK Portal.

2.3.2. Contribution to events costs

We may provide support or cover the costs of the attendance of an individual HCP to an Event. We consider any transfer of value made directly or indirectly through a third party to a HCO as within the scope of the disclosure. Such transfers of value include for example:

- i. Travel expenses (*flights, rail travel, taxi, rental car, tolls, mileage, parking, visas, or other official documents required by an HCP for arranging travel, overseas health insurance, etc.*)
- ii. Accommodation expenses
- iii. Registration fees (*fees paid to permit HCPs to attend medical congresses/training events organized by a third party*)
- iv. A sponsorship agreement with a HCO, or a third party nominated by the HCO for managing an event, such as scientific conferences, congresses, or exhibitions by third parties: *sponsorships by medical associations, national industry Organisations, hospitals, and educational establishments; scientific Organisations; regional, national, international, and global conferences; local hospitals, medical centres.*
- v. Examples of activities that may be listed in the disclosure report under "Sponsorship Agreements:" *booth rental, advertising spaces (digital, paper, etc.), satellite symposia at a scientific congress, scientific courses provided by an HCP or HCO, opportunities to present our products (including non-promotional presentations), event sponsorships (e.g., organizational support)*

Contributions provided to events through a third-party company or a PCO – that would therefore be the recipient of the payments – will be considered as indirect payments and will be reported as follows:

- i. *all payments to an HCO (either as recipient or as beneficiary) are reported in the relevant category under the name of the HCO*
- ii. *all payments to third party companies or PCOs where there is no organising HCO, or the event initiator is not a recognised legal entity are reported in the relevant category under the name of the third party company or PCO.*

2.3.3. Cancellation of an event

If an HCP had to cancel the sponsored attendance of a third-party event, this will not be included in our report. This also applies to any cancellation fees.

2.3.4. Service and consultancy fees

Any transfer of value related to service and consultancy fees between our company and an HCP or HCO are included within the scope of the disclosure. Such transfers of value include for example, a meeting or event (promotional or non-promotional) where the HCP, or the HCP working for an HCO, appears as a speaker, trainer, or consultant. These include, among others:

- i. Consultancy Fees (*fees for services such as preparation time, rehearsal time, travel time, and time expended on the activity*)
- ii. Related costs (*e.g., travel expenses, accommodation*)

Examples of fees that may be included in the disclosure report under "Service and consultancy fees (HCPs, HCOs):" *"speaker fees for workshops, symposia and panel discussions; ad hoc consultancy/advisory agreements; training facility for speaker training programs or for training Takeda employees or external parties; training facility for advisory board meetings; market research participants (except double-blind studies); medical writing; data analysis; development of training materials; market survey (except for double-blind studies); consulting (e.g., protocol advice, market access, reimbursement, leading-edge technology assessment)*

2.3.5. Research and development

Transfers of value related to research and development (R&D) activities are covered by the scope of the disclosure. This includes transfers of value to HCPs or HCOs for planning or conducting:

- i. non-clinical studies for submission of data to regulatory authorities (as defined in the OECD Principles of Good Laboratory Practice).
- ii. clinical trials (as defined in European Directive 2001/20/EC).
 - a) Clinical trials in humans with an unauthorized medicinal product
 - b) Clinical trials in humans where an unauthorized medicinal product is used in an unauthorized indication or is otherwise prescribed beyond the scope of the marketing authorization, or where patients are previously assigned to different treatments, or where the protocol proposes diagnostic or monitoring procedures that would not have been performed if the patient had not taken part in the trial.
 - c) Other clinical trials in humans that would necessitate marketing authorization from the regulatory authorities if they were to be conducted in accordance with EU Directive 2001/20/EC.
- iii. a prospective non-interventional study in which the patient is treated with an approved medicinal product in accordance with the marketing authorization and standard practice, and the other requirements as set out in section 15.01 of the EFPIA HCP Code.
- iv. Other activities:
 - a) Activities related to the planning of the inclusion criteria, the design or the timing of nonclinical studies, clinical studies and/or prospective non-interventional studies within the framework of the drug development plan.
 - b) Activities related to the planning of certain non-clinical studies, clinical studies, or prospective non-interventional studies.
 - c) Activities related to conducting certain non-clinical studies, clinical studies, or prospective non-interventional studies.

Examples of activities that may be included in the disclosure report under "R&D value transfers:"

- clinical trials: regional and/or global,
- local non-interventional trials.
- value transfers made indirectly through clinical research Organisations (CROs)

Transfers of value with respect to R&D are reported as a gross sum, except for value transfers associated with retrospective non-interventional studies which must comply with the provisions of Article 15 of the EFPIA HCP Code and are listed under the name of the respective recipient.

2.3.6 Membership / Affiliation fees

Where Takeda has paid a membership fee to a HCO, this has been disclosed under 'Contribution to costs of Events' in accordance with Note M of the ABPI Disclosure Template.

2.4. Cross-border value transfer

Takeda is a global organisation and when a part of the company other than the UK organisation makes a transfer of value to a UK registered HCP, oRDM or HCO, it will be disclosed in this report. The cross border activities are disclosed in the country of the HCP recipient's primary practice address.

3. Legal grounds for disclosure

The individual disclosure of transfers of value provided to an HCP/oRDM is covered by local privacy regulation.

Takeda UK Ltd moved from using consent as the legal basis for making disclosures in relation to TOV to using the legal basis, legitimate interests on 1st January 2022. Therefore, 2024 data has been collected under the legal basis, legitimate interests and consent is no longer required. Individuals retain a statutory right to object to named disclosure under the legal basis, legitimate interests and Takeda has a process in place to manage such objections.

4. Assumptions

4.1. Date of value transfer

For monetary payments, the following assumptions are made.

After the service is provided and the contract is concluded, the payment is made and this amount will be disclosed in the individual or in the aggregate section of the report.

The provision of the commissioned service is monitored so that payments can be made in accordance with the terms of the contract. Takeda use the date on which the payment is made as acknowledgement of the transfer of value.

By date of payment we mean the date on which the payment is released in our internal system. This is subject to the provision of the service and compliance with the EFPIA Code and the internal approval mechanisms of Takeda Pharma AG and Takeda Pharmaceuticals International AG.

We thereby apply the following rule:

If the payment date was between January 1 and December 31, 2024, the transfer is included in our 2024 disclosure report.

If payment for an activity at the end of 2023 was made at the beginning of 2024, Takeda will consider this transfer, including associated expenses, if relevant, in 2024 disclosure report.

Where the ToV is a benefit in kind, values are reported on the date the recipient received the benefit. In the case of an HCP's attendance of an event, Takeda discloses all transfers of value as if they occurred on the date of final payment related to that event, even if flights and accommodation were paid in advance and cost for ground transportation reimbursed after the event.

4.2. Currency

Takeda UK has used GBP for the disclosure report as this is the official local currency at the time of disclosure. If value is transferred in a currency other than the official local currency, the amount will be converted using the monthly updated exchange rates of the Takeda Company Treasury. Value is transferred in a foreign currency, for example, if travel expenses are incurred by an HCP abroad, where the services have been rendered, and we reimburse these expenses.

4.3. Taxes

In general, Takeda excludes Tax and VAT for Monetary payments/transfers of value and includes Tax and VAT for In Kind transfers of value.

4.3.1. Sales tax

Expenses such as for travel and accommodation are subject to sales tax. The documented and disclosed figures generally include sales tax.

5. Conflict management

Takeda has introduced an internal conflict management process with which to handle, for example, any general questions and inconsistencies relating to the published data and/or requests for addition or removal of the consent under data protection law of an HCP/oRDM/HCO with a view to disclosure of data.

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