

Consilient Health: Transfers of Value for calendar year 2016
Methodological statement
March 2017

Consilient Health is a small company with a portfolio comprising both generic and branded products. Our headquarters are in Dublin but the majority of our operations are in the UK.

During 2016 Consilient undertook Advisory Boards with European healthcare professional consultants and used UK healthcare professionals to speak at UK meetings. We paid consultancy fees for these activities.

We sponsored meetings held by third parties including healthcare organisations. All these payments, or the relevant value, have been declared in our Transfer of Value submission.

We have made MEGs donations in the form of therapy review services to 104 practices.

Consilient Health do not sponsor UK healthcare professionals to attend scientific meetings, and we did not award any grants to UK healthcare organisations during 2016. We did not provide funds for patient organisations or free of charge stock for clinical projects.

We have not undertaken any Joint Working projects.

In completing our submission for 2016 we have taken account only of payments made during the calendar year 2016 regardless of when the work or sponsorship occurred. This means that some payments made early in the year will be for work carried out during 2015 and some payments for work carried out in 2016 will be captured in our submission for 2017.

For healthcare professionals whom we use as consultants, we have a standard contract which states explicitly that the healthcare professional is exclusively responsible for payment of their National Insurance contributions and for discharge of any income tax, or other taxation liability arising from the remuneration for their services. We make payments exclusive of VAT but pay VAT against the delivery of a valid VAT invoice. The payee is responsible for any VAT liability arising.

We issue a contract for each item of service provided by any healthcare professional; we do not have any multi-year contracts.

All payments are made in the currency in which Consilient is invoiced: either sterling or euros. If the latter, the exchange rate prevailing at the time of the payment is made is used and payments are declared in sterling in our submission.

We keep a spreadsheet on the company shared drive where all healthcare professional payments are recorded and for the purposes of this submission these were checked against payments paid by the finance department. All recipient healthcare professionals were sent details of our recorded payments to them and asked to confirm or amend the amounts. Those healthcare professionals who elected to 'opt out' of individual declaration have had their payments declared in aggregate.

For payments made to healthcare organisations for the sponsorship of meetings, data are kept on a separate spreadsheet, recording the cost of attending these meetings. These costs were checked against payments made by the finance department to the healthcare organisations. Each meeting has been individually listed in the declaration.