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Methodological Note

With reference to the ABPI Code of Practice for the Pharmaceutical Industry and under the jurisdiction of the Prescriptions Medicines Code of Practice Authority (PCMPA), RB have disclosed all payments and sponsorship activities relating to products that are actively promoted for prescription in the UK in 2017.

Information has been collected from the UK business and global affiliates who use UK HCPs for a service or sponsorship activity.

Information has been declared for all HCPs, HCOs and other relevant decision-making staff who may be used as consultants and advisors, whether in groups or individually, for services such as:

- Speaking at and chairing meetings
- Speaking at industry-sponsored symposium
- Participation at advisory board meetings
- Sponsorship in relation to attendance at meetings, which is registration fees and the costs of accommodation and travel.
- Medical and Educational Goods and Services

Individual disclosures have been made following a signed disclosure contract. Where a signed disclosure contract was unavailable for an individual, the amounts have been disclosed as an aggregate.

The aggregate spend on research and development (R&D) regarding products promoted for prescription in the UK are also disclosed.

Currency values are provided in GBP. No non-monetary transfers of values have been made in 2017. No transfers of values have taken place which involved joint working or collaboration with another pharmaceutical company.

RB will disclose a transfer of value when internal approval for a project/activity is given and the money is allocated. This may mean that some projects approved in 2017 will be disclosed as part of 2017 annual reporting period even though payment may not occur until 2018.

Where projects may run for several years, RB will declare the amount paid relevant to the year in which each part of the payment was made.

Payments made to UK-based HCPs or organisations by RB's overseas operations or global head office are disclosed within the UK.

Activities disclosed are those that fall under the remit of the ABPI Code of Practice.