

Sintetica Limited Methodological note in relation to 2020 Transfers of Value (ToV) to Health Professionals (HCPs), Other Relevant Decision Makers (ORDMs) and Healthcare Organisations (HCOs)

Sintetica Limited is a member company of the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry (ABPI). The ABPI Code of Practice requires all member companies to document and disclose certain Transfers of Value (ToV) they make, directly or indirectly to Healthcare Professionals (HCPs), Healthcare Organisations (HCOs) and Other relevant decision makers (ORDMs).

This note summarises the methodologies used by Sintetica Limited in preparing its disclosures in compliance with the ABPI Code of Practice.

DEFINITIONS

Healthcare (HCP)

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.

Healthcare Organisation (HCO)

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.

Other Relevant Decision Maker (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.

Donation

The term 'donation' includes donations made to not for-profit public-sector HCOs intended to support their charitable efforts.

Grant

The term 'grant' includes payment of unrestricted educational grants made to HCOs and must be in the interests of patients or benefit the NHS whilst maintaining patient care.

Sponsorship

The term 'sponsorship' includes sponsorship of promotional meetings, HCO/ORDM attendance at scientific meetings including payment of travel and accommodation connected with scientific meetings and events.

Transfer of Value

The term 'transfer of value' means a direct or indirect transfer of value, whether in cash, in kind or otherwise, made, whether for promotional purposes or otherwise, in connection with the development or sale of medicines. A direct transfer of value is one made directly by a company for the benefit of a recipient. An indirect transfer of value is one made on behalf of a company for the benefit of a recipient or through an intermediate and where the company knows or can identify the recipient that will benefit from the transfer of value.

Reporting period

The 2020 disclosure report includes all applicable ToV between 1st January 2020 and 31st December 2020.

Date of ToVs

Where the ToV is a payment to a HCP/HCO/ORDM, values are reported in the year that the project/event/service took place and not the year that the recipient received the benefit. For example, ToV for registration for an event taking place in 2020 and payment is not received by the recipient until 2021, values will be reported in the 2020 disclosure report.

Transparency & Consent

Agreements between Sintetica Limited and HCPs/HCOs/ORDMs include notification of Sinteticas disclosure obligation and the options and rights they have in accordance with current data protection legislation.

Individuals choosing not to provide consent to named data being published, Sintetica Limited will disclose ToV data in aggregate form and it will remain anonymised.

If a HCP/ORDM receives a number of ToVs from Sintetica Limited and does not agree to disclosure of one or more of those ToVs, Sintetica Limited will disclose all of that particular individual's ToV in an aggregate amount.

Consent may be withdrawn at any time by contacting Sintetica Limited at enquiries@sintetica.co.uk. Sintetica Limited will then seek to remove personalised ToV data and report the data in aggregate via an anonymised report.

Cross border payments

Sintetica Limited did not make any cross-boarder payments in 2020.

Currency

Disclosure will be made in Pound Sterling (GBP).

Value Added Tax (VAT)

VAT is not included in the ToVs in this report.

ToVs in case of partial attendance or cancellation

Where a HCP/HCO/ORDM does not receive the benefit due to cancellation, associated costs are not reported, such as the cost of cancelling travel or accommodation. In the event of partial attendance, only the benefits actually received are reported.

Multi-year contracts

Sintetica Limited has not entered into any multi-year contracts.

Over-the-counter medicines (OTC)

Sintetica Limited do not manufacture or sell OTC medicines.

Medical device transfers

Sintetica Limited to not manufacture or sell medical devices in the UK.

Rounding

ToV for each reporting category has been rounded to the nearest Pound Sterling (GBP).

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