

Guidelines Regarding Industry Representative Participation and In-Kind Support

Industry Support

This course is supported, in part, by in-kind contributions from industry (donations of durable equipment and/or disposable supplies). ASRA Pain Medicine would like to thank all the companies for their support of this educational activity.

Disclosure

Attendees may view the full list of supporting companies in the event guide and on the website.

Industry Representative/Technician Participation

In addition to the in-kind support provided, ASRA Pain Medicine has requested that technicians from multiple supporting companies be present to demonstrate the operational aspects and proper functioning of the devices only.

Strict Compliance with the ACCME's Accreditation Criteria and Standards for Commercial Support

1. ASRA Pain Medicine is responsible for all decisions regarding the educational elements (planning, content, faculty selection, presentation, evaluation, etc.). Industry representatives in no way influence any portion of the CME activity; including how the in-kind support will be used or allocated to the educational sessions.
2. Industry employees shall be easily identifiable by their company and meeting badges.
3. The industry representative shall only contribute technical information about the use of the equipment.
4. The industry representative shall NOT expand his or her input into areas of clinical medicine, such as:
 - a. Indications for use
 - b. Comparisons between competing products
 - c. Comparisons between the device, invasive surgery, and/or medical treatment
5. ASRA Pain Medicine's faculty and staff provide strict supervision to ensure proper professional behavior by industry representatives.
6. ASRA Pain Medicine reserves the right to physically limit the technician's access to the educational setting; requesting the technician's participation only when questions arise or further assistance is needed.

Attendee Feedback

Attendees are encouraged to communicate any concerns of commercial influence or bias directly to faculty, staff members at the registration desk, and via the online evaluation.