

# **American College of Gastroenterology Educational Affairs Committee 2015 Conflicts of Interest**

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## **Commercial Interest**

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## **Conflict of Interest**

Circumstances create a conflict of interest when an individual has an opportunity to affect CME content about products or services of a commercial interest with which he/she has a financial relationship.

The 2015 Educational Affairs Committee Members have noted the following relationships with a Commercial Interest:

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