

The Alberta Psychiatric Association (APA) has agreed to the following principles to guide our relationship with pharmaceutical companies attending our Annual Meeting:

1. The APA's primary responsibility is to serve its members. In fulfilling this duty for the Annual Scientific Conference, the Scientific Committee selects speakers and topics based on what would most benefit the membership.
2. The location of the Annual Meeting is determined by the Executive with input from the general membership.
3. APA Members are welcome to have conversations with any pharmaceutical representatives at the Annual Meeting, but members are not expected or required to meet with pharmaceutical representatives.
4. Members are free to visit display booths at the APA, but specific products are not endorsed by the APA and no rewards or prizes are given for visiting booths.
5. The APA serves its members and does not promote or distribute advertisements for products or events on behalf of third parties.
6. The APA encourages dialogue between APA Annual Meeting attendees. To facilitate clear communications, attending Representatives of companies must wear a name tag and have displays which clearly identify their company affiliation.
7. Company representatives are required to be part of a funded booth in order to attend the Conference.
8. In the interest of promoting fairness, companies are not singled out for special recognition by the APA.