



## Administrative Policy

### Perceived Conflicts of Interest

Members of the Board of Trustees and Staff of the Foundation for Osteopathic Emergency Medicine (FOEM) must be aware that donors, sponsors, and other people with whom they conduct business may perceive they endorse products and companies through their personal associations with these entities. Therefore, it will be the policy of FOEM to prohibit members of its Board of Trustees and Staff while attending any activity at which he or she represents the Board of Directors or Foundation from wearing any article of clothing, or buttons, decals or other items bearing the logo or standard of a company, vendor or political party as this may be perceived as an endorsement of said company, vendor or political party.

He or she may not man booths or speak for any company that may exhibit or sponsor an event at any meeting of the ACOEP or Foundation to avoid this perceived endorsement.

Representatives of the Board and the Foundation Staff will refrain from print endorsement of any product or company without the expressed written permission of the Board of Trustees. In the event that a member of the Board or a Staff person of the College may be interviewed and asked for an endorsement of a product or company, he or she may not make such an endorsement without the approval of the Board.

Board representation will be determined if the FOEM pays for any portion of the travel or lodging costs or pays said representative with a per diem to assist in defraying costs associated with the representatives costs at any activity.