

Guidelines for Transparency in the Relationship Between Corporate Activities and Patient Groups

We engage in business activities with the aim of contributing to the health of people around the world and to the advancement of medical care through the development and provision of outstanding products. By ensuring transparency in relationships with patient groups in our activities, we aim to promote broad understanding that our efforts contribute to the activities and advancement of patient groups while ensuring high ethical standards and mutual understanding. To this end, we establish these guidelines and implement them in good faith.

1. Our Approach to Transparency

We respect the independence of patient groups and strive to ensure the transparency of our relationships with such groups in accordance with both the letter and spirit of relevant guidelines established by the Japan Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association (JPMA), including the JPMA Charter of Corporate Behavior, JPMA Compliance Program/Guideline, JPMA Code of Practice, Transparency Guideline for the Relation between Corporate Activities and Medical Institutions, and Guideline for Collaboration with Patient Organizations.

2. Method of Disclosure

We disclose funding provided, etc. in the previous fiscal year on the Company website and through other means after the announcement of financial results.

3. Scope and Details of Disclosure

We disclose payments that fall under 1) to 4) below.

1) Direct funding

Names of patient groups to which we provided direct funding and the amounts for each expense item

Scope: Donations, membership/supporting membership fees, sponsorship expenses, advertising expenses, etc.

Example

- AAA Group	
Donation:	XXX thousand yen
Membership/supporting membership fees:	XXX thousand yen
Sponsorship expenses:	XXX thousand yen
Advertising expenses:	XXX thousand yen

2) Indirect funding

Names of patient organizations to which we provided indirect funding and total amount of indirect funding

Scope: Expenses associated with seminars, briefings, and workshops, etc., hosted or co-hosted by us for the purpose of supporting patient groups and expenses paid to external contractors in connection with the support of patient groups

Example

- Total amount for the year:	XXX thousand yen
Recipient organization:	AAA Group, Group for the Protection of BBB

3) Honoraria for matters that we have requested

Names of patient groups to which we made requests and the amounts for each expense item

Scope: Honoraria for speakers, fees for writing/supervising manuscripts, surveillance fees, consultancy, and other commissioned service fees

Example

- AAA Group	
Honoraria for speakers:	XXX thousand yen
Fees for writing/supervising manuscripts:	XXX thousand yen
Surveillance fees:	XXX thousand yen
Consultancy and other commissioned service fees:	XXX thousand yen

4) Other

Names of patient groups to which the Company's employees provided labor/services

Scope: Provision of labor/services

Example

- Recipient organization: AAA Group, Group for the Protection of BBB

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