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| **Scientific Planning Committee (SPC) decisions**                    | Industry members cannot participate in decision-making on the scientific planning committee. | In addition to industry members, other for-profit and not-for-profit sponsor organizations cannot participate in decision-making on the scientific planning committee.  
**Sub-element 1.3**                                                                                   |
| **Managing non-compliance with the National Standard**               | SPC is required to manage non-compliance with specific CPD activity accreditation standards such as conflict of interest. | SPC must now have mechanisms in place to manage non-compliance with ALL elements of the National Standard.  
**Sub-element 2.4**                                                                                   |
| **Disclosing conflicts of interest**                                 | Individuals must disclose relationships with for-profit organizations only. | Individuals must now disclose ALL relationships with for-profit *and* not-for-profit organizations.  
**Sub-element 3.1**                                                                                   |
| **Written agreements with sponsors**                                | Written agreements are not required between sponsors and providers or the scientific planning committee. | Written agreements are now required between sponsors and providers or the scientific planning committee.  
**Sub-element 4.3**                                                                                   |
| **Payment of expenses**                                             | (Royal College) Payment of honoraria and travel expenses is the responsibility of the physician organization. Other expenses could have been delegated to a 3rd party.  
(CFPC) Current standards do not assign the responsibility to pay honoraria or other expenses to a specific organization or individual. | Payment of travel, lodging, legitimate out of pocket expenses and any honoraria offered to members of the SPC, speakers, moderators, facilitators and/or authors may now be delegated to a third-party organization but the CPD provider organization or SPC must retain overall accountability.  
The CPD provider organization or SPC can never delegate these payments to a commercial interest.  
**Sub-element 4.4**                                                                                   |
| **Adherence to privacy, confidentiality, and copyright**             | Current standards do not specify requirements to adhere to privacy, confidentiality and copyright laws when interacting with sponsors. | The National Standard explicitly requires CPD providers to adhere to privacy, confidentiality and copyright laws when interacting with sponsors.  
**Sub-element 4.9**                                                                                   |
| **Acknowledging sponsors**                                          | Sponsors are not required to be recognized with a standard acknowledgment statement.  
Sponsors were, however, expected to be recognized separate from the educational content. | Sponsors must still be recognized separately from the educational content and they must now be recognized with a standard acknowledgment statement.  
**Sub-element 5.1**                                                                                   |
| **Approving incentives**                                            | Current standards do not require providers to approve proposed incentives that exhibitors wish to distribute to participants. | If exhibitors wish to distribute any incentives to participants within an accredited CPD activity, the exhibitor must now receive approval from the CPD provider organization.  
**Sub-element 6.5**                                                                                   |