

Healthcare professionals:

# Step up to Disclosure UK



## Why is Disclosure UK important for you?

Today patients, the public, auditors and media expect the healthcare sector to be open about its collaborations.

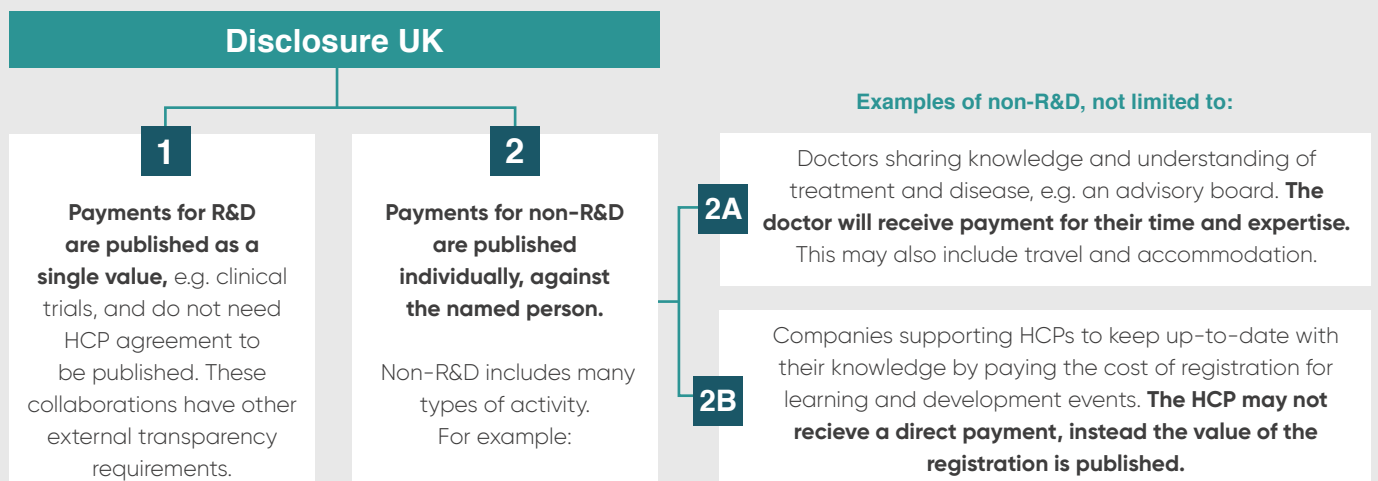
Advancements in patient care happen when pharmaceutical companies and healthcare professionals (HCPs) work together. Every year, thousands of nurses, doctors, pharmacists and other HCPs work with pharmaceutical companies to improve healthcare and develop the medicines and vaccines of tomorrow.

HCPs may do this in their own time and many get paid for their expertise. This needs to be a transparent process so payments made are published by the pharmaceutical companies on Disclosure UK.

Disclosure UK helps you to be transparent about your interactions with pharmaceutical companies.

## What is Disclosure UK?

Pharmaceutical companies use Disclosure UK - an online, searchable database - to be open about their relationships with HCPs. The public database displays the values received by HCPs in two ways:



# Transparency is for everyone

**Disclosure UK is important to professional bodies across healthcare who encourage HCPs to declare their interests and support the Disclosure UK database:**

- The Academy of Medical Royal Colleges
- The Faculty of Pharmaceutical Medicine
- The General Medical Council
- The Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain
- NHS England
- NHS Improvement

Together we can ensure the UK is a world leader for transparent and accountable healthcare.

## Trust

To maintain patients' trust.

## Collaboration

To show how HCPs and companies work together.

## Transparency

To demonstrate we're working together to build a transparent and strong healthcare sector.

## Ethics

The world values and recognises ethical behavior. We must not be left behind.

## Conflicts of interest

Transparency is a key principle in managing conflicts of interest in the NHS.

# What can I do?

**It's time to think differently about disclosure. Under UK privacy laws, pharmaceutical companies may ask for your consent to add your information to the Disclosure UK database.**

- 1** Step forward – say yes to Disclosure UK.\*
- 2** Healthcare organisations also collaborate with companies. If you are an employer, consider encouraging individuals to step forward and say yes to Disclosure UK.

\*If you are asked and do not agree, the values are published as a single value without a name.



# Further information

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