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(in conjunction with Ethics Grand Rounds)

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Maintaining Trustworthiness in NIH Public-Private Partnerships

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Public-private partnerships (PPPs) can benefit the public, but recent National Institutes of Health (NIH) cases illustrate how PPPs may raise important concerns about conflicts of interest (COIs). A proposed PPP to accelerate new treatments for opioid addiction had to be substantially modified after it was disclosed that several private partners were opioid manufacturers being sued by state attorneys general for allegedly promoting the opioid crisis. The project will now be carried out using only public funds. Another PPP, a large clinical trial to determine the long-term effects of moderate alcohol consumption, was harshly criticized after it was revealed that five large alcohol manufacturers are providing most of the \$100 million cost of the study. NIH has ordered two investigations of this trial. The high reputation of NIH should be protected in any PPP. NIH should develop comprehensive policies to assure transparency in PPPs and appropriately limit undue influence and bias.

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Target Audience: Physicians, faculty, fellows, residents, trainees, students, health care professionals. Educational Objectives: At the conclusion of this activity, the participant should be able to: 1) Recognize perennieal and emerging bioethical problems in clinical practice, research, public health, and health policy arenas. 2) Describe competing/contrasting viewpoints concerning these bioethical problems. 3) Demonstrate increased skills in analyzing and practically handling bioethical problems in the clinical, research, public health, and health policy arenas. Educational Method: Lecture and question-and-answer period. Accreditation: The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians. Credit Designation: The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center designates this live activity for a maximum of 1 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center designates this activity for 1 hour(s) in medical ethics and/or professional responsibility. Conflict of Interest: All persons in the position to control the content of an education activity are required to disclose all relevant financial relationships in any amount occurring within the past 12 months with any entity producing, marketing, re-selling, or distributing health care goods or services consumed by, or used on patients. A primary mechanism to resolve identified conflicts of interest is a content review that is prior to the activity. Off-Label Uses: Because this course is meant to educate physicians with what is currently in use and what may be available in the future, there may be "off-label" use discussed in the presentation. Speakers have been requested to inform the audience when off-label use is discussed.