

Conflict of Interest Disclosure for Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) Members

All SAB members should familiarise themselves with the details of The Charity's Conflict of Interest Policy, which is provided separately. Members are required to submit a declaration of interests upon their appointment and annually thereafter. Each individual must declare any interests which may potentially cause a conflict in the course of fulfilling their duties and responsibilities as a SAB member.

SAB meetings

Each meeting will begin with a declaration of conflicts of interest by SAB members present. Individuals must absent themselves from the relevant part or parts of any meeting where matters concerning a grant proposal with which they are connected are discussed. An individual will normally be deemed to be connected with a grant proposal if one of the following apply. They are:

- (i) the sole applicant;
 - (ii) a joint applicant in collaboration with others or is a named collaborator;
 - (iii) a relative of one of the grant applicants ("relative" for this purpose includes, but is not limited to, spouse or partner (current or past), children, siblings and parents);
 - (iv) employed at the same institution as any of the named applicants
- or
- (v) a business partner of one of the grant applicants.

Individuals may be excluded from discussions, at the discretion of the Chair in a number of other circumstances, which include (but are not limited to):

- (i) being a direct competitor of the applicant;
- (ii) having acted as an external referee or on a committee or panel in respect of a proposal at a time when this was being considered by another funding body;
- (iii) having collaborated or published with the proposal applicant within the past three years
- (iv) being aware of any other issue that might reasonably be expected to give rise to, or give rise to the perception of, a conflict of interest.