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About ISMPP

The International Society for Medical Publication Professionals (ISMPP) is a non-profit professional member association formed in 2005. Since its inception, our membership has grown to more than 1,100, with representation from all stakeholders involved in the publication and presentation of medical research.

The ISMPP Mission

We seek to:

- Advance the medical publication profession through education and advocacy
- Drive integrity, excellence, and transparency in medical publications
- Lead the establishment and adoption of medical publication standards and best practices.

What are Medical Publications Professionals?

Our members include individuals from pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and device companies, medical publications and communications agencies, medical journal publishers and editors, and professional medical writers. Medical publication professionals may play any of several roles in the publication process, such as writing, editing, publication project management, quality assurance of the scientific accuracy and completeness of the content of publications, and publication planning.

Transparency, Standards and Ethics

ISMPP promotes high standards for professional ethics and practices and encourages members to act in a way that promotes integrity and reflects positively on the individual professional, ISMPP, and the medical publication profession.

ISMPP leads efforts to standardize best practices in professional publication planning, such as:

- Transparency into financial support for publications and full clinical trial protocols
- Prohibition of guest writing, where individuals who do not meet authorship criteria are nevertheless authors, and of ghost writing, where legitimate authors are not either recognized or disclosed
- Author disclosure of any potential interests that could influence professional and scientific judgment

Through their work, medical publications professionals can positively impact the lives and health of individuals all around the world. We recognize that responsibility and look forward to working with the U.S. Congress to create a policy environment that serves the needs of patients – the ultimate beneficiaries.

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