Guidelines for Speaker Presentations

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1. Trade names of pharmaceutical products, drugs or devices (generic names are okay)
2. Logos of pharmaceutical companies, products, drugs or devices
3. Marketing propaganda of your personal or business website, publications or additional proprietary business interests
4. Product-promotion material or product-specific advertisement of any type.

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1. The content or format of a CME activity or its related materials must promote improvements or quality in healthcare and not a specific proprietary business interest of a commercial interest.
2. Presentations must give a balanced view of therapeutic options. Use of generic names will contribute to this impartiality. If the CME educational material or content includes trade names, where available trade names from several companies should be used, not just trade names from a single company.

Other helpful hints:

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