## MEDTRONIC GIVING CONNECTION

Connecting to initiatives that promote better healthcare, demonstrate good corporate citizenship, and benefit society.

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## CONFERENCE VETTING SYSTEM GUIDANCE

The **Conference Vetting System (CVS)** is an independent compliance review process put in place to encourage transparency and consistency across the medical education industry. As a member of MedTech Europe, Medtronic will be complying with the regulations set forth requiring international medical education events to be reviewed and approved by CVS prior to providing any type of financial support (educational grant, booth, product donation, etc.) to such events.

Events that may be in scope include third party organized events attended by delegates coming from at least two countries in the MedTech Europe geography and international events taking place outside the MedTech Europe geographic area attended by delegates who are Healthcare Professionals registered and practicing in the MedTech geographic area.

To ensure consistency across our businesses and geographies, Medtronic is requiring CVS review for events in scope. Please assess if your event requires CVS review prior to completing your Medtronic request form by answering the questions below:

- 1. Is the event taking place within any of the following countries: Algeria, Bahrein, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Pakistan, Palestine, Qatar, Sudan, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates or Yemen?
  - o If YES, the event must be submitted through the Conference Vetting System ("CVS")
  - o If NO, continue to question 2
- 2. Is the event taking place in Europe, the Middle East or Africa?
  - o If YES, continue to question 3
  - o If NO, continue to question 4
- 3. Will there be passive delegates from two or more countries?
  - o If NO, the event does NOT need to be submitted to CVS
  - o If YES, the event must be submitted through the Conference Vetting System ("CVS")
- 4. Will there be any healthcare professional (non-faculty) attendees from Europe, the Middle East, Africa or any of the following countries: Algeria, Bahrein, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Pakistan, Palestine, Qatar, Sudan, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates or Yemen?
  - o If NO, the event does NOT need to be submitted to CVS
  - o If YES, continue to question 5
- 5. Will grant funds be used to support attendance of healthcare professionals as described in question 4?
  - o If NO, the event does NOT need to be submitted to CVS.
  - o If YES, the event must be submitted through the <u>Conference Vetting System ("CVS")</u>

Starting January 1st, 2023, all Events submissions must be made no later than 50 days prior to the event starting date, via the online Ethical MedTech submission form. Submissions made after the 50-day deadline will be attributed automatically the final status "not assessed/late submission". No exceptions will be allowed. Please note: Without CVS review of the event, Medtronic may not be able to provide any type of financial support.

For more information on the Conference Vetting System, please visit their website: https://www.ethicalmedtech.eu/conference-vetting-system/objective/