

<b>Procedure: Conflict of Interest – Screening Faculty Against the Open Payment System</b>	<b>Effective Date: July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022</b>
	<b>Last Revision Date:</b>
<b>References: HSCEP OP 10.05, HSCEP OP 73.09, Regents’ Rules 3.1</b>	

## **Procedure Statement**

This procedure provides guidance to the compliance staff when determining monetary benefit provided to providers as reported by the <https://www.cms.gov/openpayments> website.

## **Scope**

Compliance staff will review all physicians, dentists and mid-level provider data.

## **Procedure**

1. Utilize the report generated for excluded provider checks and perform the following:
  - a. Remove all job titles that are not Physicians, dentists or mid-level practitioners,
  - b. Remove all columns with the exception of:
    - i. Last name,
    - ii. First name,
    - iii. Middle name,
    - iv. Position title,
    - v. Home organization, and
    - vi. E-mail\_ preferred address
  - c. Create two additional columns titled:
    - i. Open payment \$10,000, and
    - ii. Open payment \$5000
2. Open the website, <https://www.cms.gov/openpayments>
3. Click on explore the database

### What is Open Payments?

Open Payments is a national disclosure program that promotes a more transparent and accountable health care system. Open Payments houses a publicly accessible database of payments that [reporting entities](#), including drug and medical device companies, make to [covered recipients](#) like physicians.

*Please note that CMS does not comment on what relationships may be beneficial or potential conflicts of interest. CMS publishes the data attested to by reporting entities. The data is open to individual interpretation.*

Explore the database at [OpenPaymentsData.cms.gov](https://www.cms.gov/openpayments).



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4. Click on the advanced search

**Search Open Payments**

The Open Payments Search Tool is used to search payments made by drug and medical device companies to physicians, physician assistants, advanced practice nurses and teaching hospitals.

Data displayed on the Open Payments Search Tool is from January, 2015 through December, 2021. See our [about page](#) for more information.

**Open Payments Program Year 2021 data is now available!**  
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Individual Provider **i**  Teaching Hospital  Company

Enter a provider name

**Search the Data**

[Advanced Search >](#)

5. In to the providers last name the city and the state

**Search by type**

Individual Provider **i**  Teaching Hospital  Company

**Provider First Name**

**Provider Last Name**

**Country**

**City**

**State**

**Zip/Postal code**

**Provider Type**

**Provider Specialty**

**National Provider Identifier**

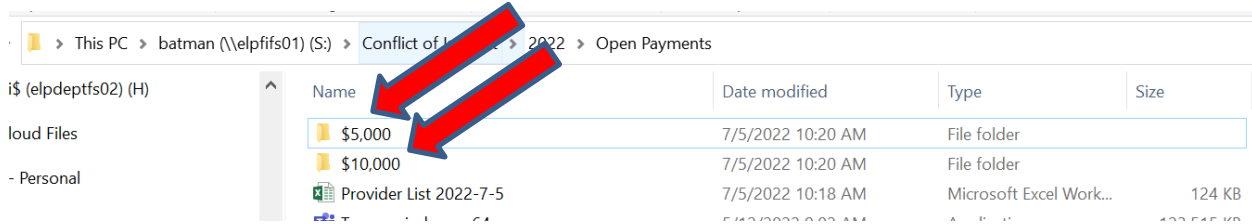
**Search the Data** [Clear form](#)

6. Click searched the data
  - a. If the provider did not accept any monies from vendors the database will show there's no results
  - b. If there are result you will need to select and the Texas Tech Physician from the list by clicking on the individual's name
7. If the payment amount for any single company exceeded \$5000 or \$10,000 those individuals will need to be recorded on the spreadsheet by placing the largest dollar amount in the appropriate column on the spreadsheet

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▼	Open Payment \$10,000	Open Payment \$5,000	
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- a. If there is no payment exceeding \$5000 then record “N/A” in both columns.
8. If the payment amount for any single company exceeded \$5000 or \$10,000 a save a copy of the webpage F4 that individual as a PDF in one of the following folders:



### Frequency of Review

Annually after CMS releases the data, typically June 30<sup>th</sup> of each year.

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