Resource Page: Conflicts of Interest

Introduction
Could your conflict of interest violate university policy or even the law? All university employees are subject to Ohio Ethics Law, which prohibits conflicts of interest. Violations can involve criminal penalties.

Objectives
1. Increase awareness of prohibited conflicts of interest under Ohio Ethics Law
2. Promote compliance and integrity
3. Understand where to go with questions

Key Concepts
1. Don’t accept gifts from vendors and don’t use university resources for your own benefit.
2. Don’t do business with the university and don’t use your position to get business for family members or business associates.
3. Don’t accept a gift or payment for doing your university job from anyone other than the university.

More Information
- Visit the Office of University Compliance and Integrity website
- Visit the Office of Research Compliance website
- Register for Ohio Ethics Law Training in Buckeye Learn (search for Ohio Ethics Law)
- University Policies
  - Conflict of Interest and Work Outside of the University policy
  - Nepotism Policy
  - Organizational Financial Conflicts of Interest policy
  - Supplemental Compensation Involving Work Within the University policy
  - Faculty Compensation policy
  - Faculty Conflict of Commitment policy
  - Faculty Financial Conflict of Interest policy
  - Faculty Paid External Consulting policy
- Wexner Medical Center Vendor Interaction Policy
- Board of Trustees Conflict of Interest Protocol
- Board of Trustees Statement of Ethical Conduct and Leadership Integrity

Further Questions?
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