The GMEC acknowledges that a responsible and productive alliance between residency training programs and the pharmaceutical industry can be beneficial to the goals of graduate medical education. However, there is increasing awareness of the potential for ethically unsound relationships leading to conflict of interest and negative perceptions by the public. Therefore, the GMEC established the following policy to guide relations between the residency programs at our institution and the pharmaceutical industry.

1. The GMEC endorses the AMA policy “Gifts to Physicians From Industry” JAMA 265:501, 1991

2. All marketing activities by pharmaceutical companies and their representatives must be approved by the residency program director.

3. A faculty member will review and/or be present during all presentations given to residents by pharmaceutical companies and their representatives.

4. Marketing activities are prohibited in all clinical areas.

5. Residency programs will provide guidance to residents regarding interactions with pharmaceutical companies and their representatives.

6. All pharmaceutical company representatives, residents and faculty will be informed of and provided with a copy of the GMEC policy.

7. Residents may not receive for personal benefit “incentives” to enroll patients in pharmaceutical company sponsored trials. All relationships concerning the acquisition of patients for drug trials shall occur as contractual agreements between institutions.

8. Residency program directors should provide guidance to residents regarding pharmaceutical company sponsorship of social activities.