



POLICY ON ACCEPTING FUNDS FROM TOBACCO COMPANIES*

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- 1. The faculty, departments and centers of the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health (SPH) shall not accept funding or gifts from tobacco companies.**
- 2. UNC SPH faculty members and staff shall not engage in any external activities for pay underwritten by tobacco companies.**
- 3. For purposes of implementing this Policy, tobacco companies are defined as follows: companies or corporate divisions that directly produce tobacco or purchase tobacco for the production, distribution, marketing or sale of tobacco products, along with their dedicated research and lobbying groups.**

**A list of organizations connected in some way to the tobacco industry can be found at this link: https://sph.unc.edu/files/2013/10/PUBLICLY-HELD-TOBACCO-COMPANIES-and-STOCK-LISTING_SPH_2016-08-08.pdf. We assert a rebuttable presumption that if an organization is named on this list, it is considered a "tobacco company." No faculty member, department, or center of the School may enter into a funding, gift, or other business relationship with an organization on the list without first submitting to their department Chair a statement explaining why the organization in question is not a "tobacco company," as that term is defined above, and obtaining advance written approval from the Chair to enter into the relationship. The Chair should copy the dean.*