Common Practices for Registering Reviewer Conflicts of Interest

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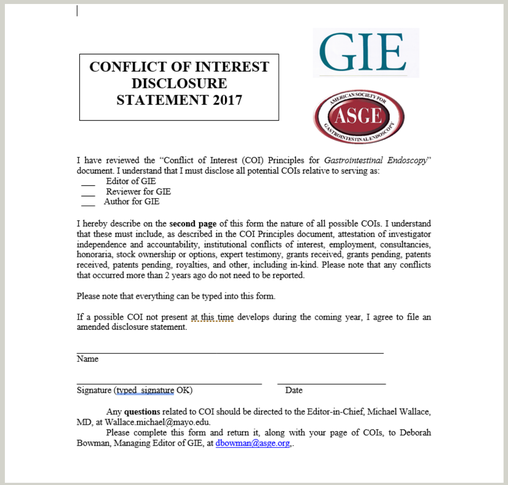
Objectives

1. Survey journal managers via the ISMTE Discussion Forum and Editorial Manager ListServe to ask whether and how they collect reviewer conflicts of interest (COIs).
2. Research sources like COPE, ICMJE, and Irene Hames' book *Peer Review and Manuscript Management in Scientific Journals* to see what recommendations they have.
3. Compare responses and report findings of common practices.
4. Use this information to make recommendations to the leadership of the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy.

Purpose

We wanted to determine whether we are doing unnecessary work in obtaining reviewer conflicts of interest. We surveyed Managing Editors to learn how they currently handle reviewer COIs. We also researched different sources like COPE, ICMJE, and books on peer review for recommendations. From these activities, we wanted to determine what most journals are doing and which practices would be the most time-effective while still keeping reviewer COIs transparent. It is our goal to be able to use this information to make recommendations to our Editor-in-Chief and Associate Editors.



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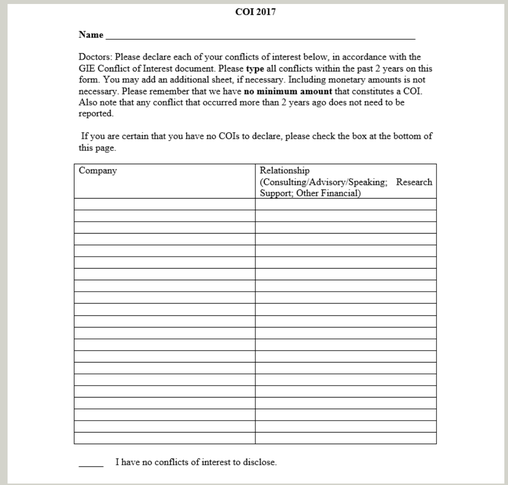

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