

## **Statement on Direct Financial Links**

### **1. For Law firms/claims management companies/insurers**

"Organisation" will include a partnership, an LLP, a company, group of companies, unincorporated organisation and an individual/sole proprietor". For the purposes of this document "Law Firm" includes an organisation practising under an Alternative Business Structure (ABS) licence.

- a) There is no medical reporting organisation (MRO) which is wholly or partly owned by me or by a partner, senior manager, member, director, employer or employee in my organisation, now or at any time during the past 12 months.
- b) There is no MRO in which I, or a partner, senior manager, member, director, employer or employee in my organisation, am a partner, senior manager, member, director, employer or employee, now or at any time during the past 12 months.
- c) There is no MRO in which I, or a partner, senior manager, member, director, employer or employee in my organisation, am a shareholder, with a shareholding above 3%, now or at any time during the past 12 months.
- d) Where my organisation practises under an ABS licence or is part of a group containing an ABS, there is no MRO which forms part of, or is wholly or partly owned by, the ABS or group.
- e) There is no Medico-legal expert employed by my organisation or under contract of service with my organisation for the provision of medico-legal reports in soft tissue injury claims within the meaning of paragraph 1.1(16A) of the Pre-Action Protocol for Low Value Personal Injury Claims in Road Traffic Accidents.

### **2. For Medical reporting organisations**

"Organisation" will include a partnership, an LLP, a company, group of companies, unincorporated organisation and an individual/sole proprietor". For the purposes of this document "Law Firm" includes an organisation practising under an Alternative Business Structure (ABS) licence.

- a) There is no law firm, insurer or personal injury claims management company in which a whole or part owner of my organisation is now a partner, member, senior manager, director, employer or employee, or has been during the past 12 months.
- b) There is no law firm, insurer or personal injury claims management company in which I, or a partner, member, senior manager, director, employer or employee of your MRO, am now a partner, member, senior manager, director, employer or employee, or have been during the past 12 months.
- c) There is no law firm, insurer or personal injury claims management company in which a shareholder of my organisation, with a shareholding above 3%, is now a partner, member, director, senior manager, employer or employee, or has been during the past 12 months.
- d) My organisation is not part of a group containing an ABS.

**3. For Experts**

- a) There is no law firm, insurer or personal injury claims management company with which I have a contract of service or by which I am employed to provide medico-legal reports in soft tissue injury claims within the meaning of paragraph 1.1(16A) of the Pre-Action Protocol for Low Value Personal Injury Claims in Road Traffic Accidents.