

Conflict of Interest Declaration

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Tobacco is the gateway to the world of addiction. In India, millions of children experiment with tobacco use every year and develop addictions that last a lifetime. Global evidence suggests that tobacco use is the leading cause of premature mortality. It prevents individuals, families, communities, and nations from achieving their fullest potential and development goals. The tobacco industry is among the most corrupt and venal in its practices. The WHO and many leading public health organisations have warned that the tobacco industry would mislead governments and communities to achieve its profits by advancing its addictive products.

To this end, Dr Rajendra Prasad Government Medical College (DRPGMC) and the Centre for Advancing Tobacco Control in Himachal Pradesh (CATCH) believe in promoting a healthy lifestyle for all by opposing tobacco use and addiction. DRPGMC recognizes a fundamental conflict of interest between the tobacco industry and the public health system may derail activities intended to achieve tobacco control in Himachal Pradesh. To achieve these goals in our lifetime would require us to stay away from tobacco, alcohol, and intoxicating substances in any form.

DRPGMC does not partner with any entity directly or indirectly related to and /or engaged with the tobacco industry. We do not partner with, invest in, or get invested in by organisations with an interest in the tobacco industry or those who further the agenda of tobacco companies. We do not and shall not accept and / or endorse any direct or indirect support from the tobacco industry either in cash or in kind.

We also declare that our organization does not support any activities which involve child labor, pornography, illicit trade of any kind, harm to ecology and environment. We also unequivocally oppose discrimination in any form based on gender, race, caste, class, religion, and ethnicity. Lastly, DRPGMC also disapproves of any activities that hurt or stress any human or animal physically or mentally.



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