Navigating MyDisclosures
Instructions for Updating your Disclosure

**MyDisclosures** is the University’s electronic conflict disclosure system. It conforms with the University’s Conflict of Interest Policy for Research, federal funding requirements, UPMC policies (for UPMC disclosers), and other relevant University policies.

This document will provide you with the basic tools to update your conflict disclosure form.

### Need Assistance?

For help guides, FAQs and information about disclosure, please visit the [COI Website](http://coi.pitt.edu). If you need further assistance, please contact [MyDisclosures@pitt.edu](mailto:MyDisclosures@pitt.edu).

### MyDisclosures Navigation Key

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Login

⇒ Go to www.mydisclosures.pitt.edu.

⇒ Click on either Pitt Passport or UPMC to access the form. Choose the institution you are employed by to log in. If you are dually employed, you may use either.

⇒ If you have trouble with your login:
  
Pitt employees should contact the Pitt 24/7 IT Help Desk at (412) 642-HELP (4357).

  UPMC Employees should contact the UPMC Help Desk at (412) 647-HELP (4357).

Updating your Disclosure

When you log in to MyDisclosures after you submit your annual disclosure, your inbox will be empty. Click the Update Disclosures button to make changes to your form.
A new window will open. Provide a brief statement, such as “new outside interest to report” or “changed value” that explains the reason for your update. Click OK to continue.

You will land on a summary page. All information you previously entered on your form will be pre-populated for you. A summary of your current entries is displayed here.

To get started click Edit Disclosures in the menu on the left.

**Status of Prior Entries**

The summary page includes a status of each disclosure on your form.

- “Review Complete” means the interest was reported by the discloser and reviewed and approved by the supervisor.
- “Under Modification” means the interest was reported by the discloser and is awaiting review by the supervisor; the entry will remain in this status until the supervisor approves the disclosure, at which time it will change to “Review Complete”.
- “Pending Removal” means the discloser has removed the interest from the form; the entry will remain on the form and in this status until the supervisor approves the disclosure, at which time it will be removed from the form.
Institutional Responsibilities

Affiliations
To add an affiliation on your form, click the box next to the affiliation you want to add.

To remove an affiliation from your form, click the checkbox next to the affiliation you want to remove.

After you update your affiliations, click in the toolbar at the top of the screen.

Update Primary Supervisor Information
The supervisor review in MyDisclosures is a Pitt supervisor review. All supervisors must have a Pitt appointment or affiliation. Do not list a UPMC-only employee as your supervisor.

For Faculty – Your primary supervisor is your Department Chair, Division Chief or equivalent faculty supervisor from your department who completes your annual performance evaluation.

For Staff – Your primary supervisor is the person who completes your annual performance evaluation.

To update your Primary Supervisor, click “Update Primary Supervisor”.

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When you click **Update Primary Supervisor**, a new window will open. Type your supervisor’s name into the provided text box and a short explanation of why they are the correct supervisor.

To search for the name of your primary supervisor, click on the icon next to the text box. In the new window, set the filter to “Last” to search for your supervisor by last name. You can add additional filters, including first name, email and department, using the “Advanced” button. Click “Go” to start your search.

Select your supervisor by clicking the button next to their name. Then click “OK”.

After you select your current primary supervisor, under question 2 of the “Update Primary Supervisor” window, indicate why this person is your correct primary supervisor. After making your selection, click **OK** to save your supervisor information.
**Update Secondary Supervisor Information**

If, in addition to your Primary Supervisor, another person needs to review your disclosure, answer “Yes” to list them as your Secondary Supervisor. For example, if you belong to one of Pitt’s centers or institutes (e.g.: McGowan Institute, Hillman Cancer Center), the director of the center may want to be listed as your Secondary Supervisor to review your disclosures.

Not all disclosers have a Secondary Supervisor. All supervisors must have a Pitt appointment or affiliation. Do not list a UPMC-only employee as your supervisor. Do not list the same person as your primary and secondary supervisors. If you only have one supervisor, list them as your primary supervisor.

If you and your Primary Supervisor have a relationship with the same company, you should name another individual who does not have an interest in that company as your Secondary Supervisor.

**Change your Secondary Supervisor**

To change your secondary supervisor, you must remove your former secondary supervisor by clicking the “X” to the right of their name.
**Add a new Secondary Supervisor**

After you answer “Yes” to the secondary supervisor question, a new text box will appear. Type your supervisor’s first or last name into the box and select your supervisor from the list.

To search for the name of your secondary supervisor, click on the icon next to the text box. In the new window, set the filter to “Last” to search for your supervisor by last name. You can add additional filters, including first name, email and department, using the “Advanced” button. Click “Go” to start your search.

Select your new secondary supervisor from the list by clicking the box next to their name. Then click OK to add the supervisor to your form.
**What to Disclose**

Please review this section of your form carefully.

Report all outside activities, interests and relationships *regardless of dollar value* that:

- Might be reasonably perceived to be related to your institutional responsibilities;
- Relate to the University’s educational, research, service or other missions, including services offered by the University; or
- May otherwise create a conflict of interest or commitment, or the perception of such a conflict, with your duties to the University.

If you have additional questions about whether to disclose a particular interest, relationship or activity, visit the COI website for help guides and more information.

Answer both questions at the bottom of the page to indicate whether you have anything to report. Click at the top or bottom of the page to proceed. If you have no interests to report, you will be taken directly to the Additional Questions section of the form.

If you are removing outside interests from your form, keep “Yes” selected on your form and click “Continue”. You will be taken to the Disclosure Details page where you will remove the entry (see instructions below).
**Editing or Removing an Outside Interest, Relationship or Activity**

Any interests you previously entered on your form will be displayed under the “**Previously reviewed disclosures**” section of the Disclosure Details page.

Verify that the information you previously reported is up to date, including time you spent and amount you earned.

To edit an existing entry, click the icon.

To remove an existing entry from your form, click the icon. Note that, if you remove an entry, it will still appear on your form with **Pending Removal** status until your supervisor approves your disclosure.

If you removed all outside interests from your form, click the Back button to return to the What to Disclose page. Change your responses on the page to “No” and proceed to the Additional Questions section of the form.
Adding a New Outside Interest, Relationship or Activity to your Form

To add a new interest to your form click Add Disclosure. You should have a separate entry for each outside entity with which you have a relationship.

**Name of Entity**

Input the Name of the Outside Entity into the search bar. Select the desired company from the drop-down list and click “OK.”

**Only if** the name of the entity does not appear in the drop-down list when you search, click the box next to item 2. Type the entity name into the box and create a New Entity in the system. If you enter a New Entity, you will be prompted to add additional information about the entity on the next page.
General Information

⇒ Answer all questions on this page

⇒ When indicating the type of relationship you have with the outside entity at question 7, check all types of interests that you have with the entity

⇒ If you are unsure of what type of relationships you have, please visit the COI website for more information

⇒ Click Continue to advance to the next page
**Questions about Relationship Types**

⇒ You will be asked questions about each type of relationship you have with the entity. You will see a separate page for each type of relationship you have.

⇒ The specific questions you see depend on what types of relationships you have and how you responded to questions on the Institutional Responsibilities page of your form.

⇒ If you indicate that you have consulting or other professional services or management, officer of board of directors positions you will be asked to report the approximate time in number of days per year you spent on the activity.

**Individual Disclosure Summary**

⇒ After entering details about each type of relationship you have, you will be shown a Disclosure Summary that summarizes all relationships you disclosed with that entity.

⇒ If you need to correct any information, click the button at the top or bottom left of the page.

⇒ If your information for the entity is correct, click the Finish at the top or bottom right of the page to finalize your entry.
Finalizing Disclosure Details

⇒ After you finalize an entry, you will be routed back to the Disclosure Details page where you can see all disclosures you have entered and add additional entities as needed.

⇒ To add another entity click Add Disclosure at the top of the page.

⇒ To edit an existing entry, click the icon.

⇒ To remove an existing entry from your form, click the icon. Note that if you remove an entry, it will still appear on your form with a Pending Removal status until your supervisor approves your disclosure.

⇒ When you have added all entities and interests you need to report, click Continue at the top or bottom right of the page.

Additional Questions

After entering all entities with which you have relationships or after you indicate on the What to Disclose page that you have nothing to report, you will be prompted to answer additional questions based on your Institutional Responsibilities. You must answer all questions that appear on your form.
Submitting Your Form

⇒ Review the summary of interests on your form and the Assurance and Certification statement.

⇒ If you need to make changes to your form, click the button on the top or bottom right of the page to return to and edit your form.

⇒ To save and return to your disclosure at a later time, click and at the top or bottom of the page.

⇒ When you are satisfied that you have accurately reported all required information and are ready to submit your form, check Yes at the bottom of the page, then click at the top or bottom right of the page.

⇒ When you click Finish, your form will be submitted and will automatically send it to your designated supervisor(s) for their review and approval.
After you Submit your Form

If you disclose any outside interests on your form, it will appear with a status of Department Review. If you do not disclose any interests, it will appear with a status of No Interests Disclosed. After sending your form to your supervisor for review, it will be removed from your Inbox. If you want to view your form after you submit it, click on the Disclosures tab at the top of the page.

When you submit your form, it is automatically sent to your supervisor(s) for review.

Making Changes Before Supervisor Review

If you need to revise your form before your supervisor reviews it, go to the Disclosures tab and click on your disclosure which will be called “Update Certification for [your name]” and include the date of submission. Then click Withdraw and Return to Draft on the left side of the page. To retract your form from your supervisor’s review queue and make edits, click OK.

Once you click OK your form will be withdrawn and returned to Draft state. Edit your information as needed and re-submit your form.
**After Supervisor Review**

You will receive an email notification informing you of your supervisor(s)' disposition of your form. Your supervisor(s)' disposition will be:

- Approve
- Approve with Comment
- Disapprove

The email will provide you with instructions on how to view and respond to any comments from your supervisor(s).

When your supervisor(s) have approved your form, its status will change to **Review Complete**.

**How do I View a Copy of my Disclosure Form?**

You can view your disclosures at any time by logging in to [www.mydisclosures.pitt.edu](http://www.mydisclosures.pitt.edu) and clicking the **Disclosures** tab at the top of the page. Click on the form you want to view to see your disclosures.