

Minnesota Statutes Annotated Currentness  
Health (Ch. 144-159)  
Chapter 151. Pharmacy  
Wholesale Drug Distribution Licensing Act

**151.461. Gifts to practitioners prohibited**

It is unlawful for any manufacturer or wholesale drug distributor, or any agent thereof, to offer or give any gift of value to a practitioner. A medical device manufacturer that distributes drugs as an incidental part of its device business shall not be considered a manufacturer, a wholesale drug distributor, or agent under this section. As used in this section, "gift" does not include:

- (1) professional samples of a drug provided to a prescriber for free distribution to patients;
- (2) items with a total combined retail value, in any calendar year, of not more than \$50;
- (3) a payment to the sponsor of a medical conference, professional meeting, or other educational program, provided the payment is not made directly to a practitioner and is used solely for bona fide educational purposes;
- (4) reasonable honoraria and payment of the reasonable expenses of a practitioner who serves on the faculty at a professional or educational conference or meeting;
- (5) compensation for the substantial professional or consulting services of a practitioner in connection with a genuine research project;
- (6) publications and educational materials; or
- (7) salaries or other benefits paid to employees.

**CREDIT(S)**

Laws 1993, c. 345, art. 5, § 11, eff. January 1, 1994.

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