



## **Meetings & Events** **Policies & Guidelines**

Academy approval, which may be granted or denied at the sole discretion of the Academy, is required for all exhibitor sponsored meetings and events during the Annual Meeting. Exhibitor sponsored CME activities or subsequently produced CME activities are not permitted. Exhibitors planning to hold a meeting or event must submit the Exhibitor Function Request Form to the Academy.

Exhibitor meetings and events, involving health care professionals (physicians, residents, medical students, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, registered nurses, and office staff), may not be scheduled during the Academy's educational and exhibit program hours. Meetings are permitted at the following times:

Wednesday, March 15..... All Day  
Thursday, March 16..... All Day  
Friday, March 17..... Before 7:15 a.m. & After 7 p.m.  
Saturday, March 18 ..... Before 7:15 a.m. & After 7 p.m.  
Sunday, March 19..... Before 7:15 a.m. & After 7 p.m.  
Monday, March 20 ..... Before 7:15 a.m. & After 5:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 21 ..... Before 7:15 a.m. & After 12:00 p.m.

Exhibitor meetings and events, which do not involve health care professionals, may be scheduled during the following times:

Wednesday, March 15..... All Day  
Thursday, March 16..... All Day  
Friday, March 17..... Before 10 a.m. & After 5 p.m.  
Saturday, March 18 ..... Before 10 a.m. & After 5 p.m.  
Sunday, March 19..... Before 10 a.m. & After 5 p.m.  
Monday, March 20 ..... All Day  
Tuesday, March 21 ..... All Day

Hospitality Suites, Social Functions and other non-CME meetings may only be held by companies that are exhibiting at the Annual Meeting. Companies requesting a hotel suite for their functions should do so through the Academy Housing Service at the same time that sleeping room requests are made.

If there is any question/concern that an activity fits within the Academy guidelines, it is recommended that the company submit the activity for approval.

Specific actions may be taken by the Academy for violation of any provision of these guidelines. Violations of any Academy policies, guidelines, rules, or regulations may result in the loss of priority points for future space assignments and/or immediate removal from the exhibit hall and/or denial of exhibit space at future meetings.

The action taken will be determined on the basis of the particular circumstances of the violations, but in cases involving major violations, may include legal action.