

## POLICIES FOR PRESENTERS

2009 Pediatric Academic Societies' Annual Meeting

In cooperation with the Center for Continuing Education Tulane University Health Sciences Center

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

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