

Alliance AI Position Statement

Purpose: The Alliance for Continuing Education in the Health Professions (ACEHP) recognizes the transformative impact of artificial intelligence (AI) on the planning, design, delivery, and accreditation within continuous professional development (CPD). As advancements in the underlying science and technology accelerate, AI's potential to revolutionize healthcare education and impact patient outcomes is likely to grow significantly.

Scope: This position statement provides a foundation for CPD professionals in the appropriate use of AI. Grounded in ACEHP's vision to advance continuing education in the health professions and its mission to promote best practices in CPD by empowering the membership community, these guiding principles aim to establish standards that will foster a safe, ethical, and productive environment for AI integration.

ACEHP advocates for CPD professionals to commit to ethical use of AI by:

- **Utilizing AI Appropriately:** Adhere to best practices and professional standards when using AI. This encompasses guidance from accrediting bodies, as well as other leaders in CPD and healthcare.
- **Safeguarding Privacy and Confidentiality:** Ensure the privacy and confidentiality of business, scientific, learner, and patient data when using and building AI models.
- **Promoting Transparency and Disclosure:** Disclose the use of AI in the creation, planning, delivery, and analysis of educational activities (creation of content, sources of data, and methods used in data analysis, etc).
- **Ensuring Compliance:** Comply with all relevant regulations when using AI and ensure an audit trail where mandated and appropriate.
- **Prioritizing Human Review and Validation:** Ensure human oversight and accountability, including reviewing and verifying AI outputs for accuracy and completeness to prevent the dissemination of misinformation, errors, hallucinations, and bias.
- **Eliminating Bias:** Implement practices that negate biases which can hinder healthcare education and perpetuate inequity.
- **Enhancing Accessibility:** Position AI as a tool to remove barriers to learner access (such as language translation and adaptive learning solutions).
- **Educating about AI:** Facilitate training and education on the role, advantages, and limitations of AI in healthcare education.

Call to Action for ACEHP Members

In the rapidly evolving world of healthcare education, AI will play a transformative role. It is imperative for ACEHP members to lead by example and set the standard for using AI responsibly and ethically in the CPD community.

Education and Training: Stay current with AI advancements. Recognize that AI is revolutionizing healthcare education. All CPD professionals should improve their AI literacy, understand its potential and associated risks, and actively participate in AI-focused education and training within the CPD community as learners and educators.

Implementation and Use: Ensure that AI is implemented responsibly, transparently, and fairly, always prioritizing safety and confidentiality. Additionally, develop organizational policies on AI governance that embody this position statement.

Advocacy and Community Engagement: Engage within and beyond your organizations. Given ACEHP's unique position bridging CPD professionals across member sections, it's crucial to actively collaborate and continuously improve AI policy formation due to its broader impact on the CPD community.