

Conflict of Interest Policy

Please have all officers read and check the statement below.

A "conflict of interest" is defined as any situation in which a person who influences decision making for INFORMS has an incentive to recommend or make decisions that are not in the best interest of INFORMS or the community served by INFORMS. The existence of an incentive is sufficient to establish a conflict of interest, even if no undue influence has been exerted.

Conflicts of interest should be avoided, if possible, by the person with a conflict of interest being replaced by another person without a conflict of interest. If a conflict of interest cannot be avoided it must be disclosed, by the person having the conflict of interest to persons with the authority to either eliminate the conflict or to ensure that it is made known widely to the affected community. For example, staff members including the executive director and board members including the president should disclose conflicts of interest to the executive committee. Members of other committees such as award committees or nomination committees should disclose conflicts of interest to their fellow committee members, as well as persons who appointed the committee or who oversee the committee, if any.

*I, _____, acknowledge that I have read and understand the above
Print Name
Conflict of Interest statement, that I will adhere to it, and that I will report to the Chair of the
Subdivisions Council any conflict of interest situation I observe by people in my community.*

Signature Date

All community officers have read and understand the policy as stated above.