

INDUSTRY SUPPORTED SYMPOSIA

There is meeting space available at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel for industry supported symposia. Should a company hold a symposium in another location besides the Fairmont Royal York Hotel, pricing will still apply since the AATS audience will attend. **A symposium is considered any type of function in which scientific material is presented to 25, or more, physicians. You may choose whether or not to designate your event for Category 1 CME credit.** Events with less than 25 people are considered Allied Functions (page 15) and charges will apply accordingly. Symposia may be conducted during the following times only:

Friday, April 30, 2010	8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.	\$30,000
	8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	\$20,000
	12 Noon–5:00 p.m.	\$20,000
	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	\$15,000
Saturday, May 1, 2010	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	\$15,000
Sunday, May 2, 2010	6:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	\$15,000
	After 7:00 p.m.	\$15,000
Monday, May 3, 2010	6:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.	\$15,000
	6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.	\$15,000
Tuesday, May 4, 2010	5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	\$15,000
Wed., May 5, 2010	12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	\$20,000

** Schedule is subject to change based on final program format*

APPLICATION FORM AND FEES

A completed application form, copy of the proposed program (including titles and invited faculty), and the appropriate symposium fee must be received in the Graham Foundation Administrative Office NO LATER THAN March 5, 2010. Time slots and rooms are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Applications will be accepted after March 5th on a space available basis. Applications will not be processed without the symposium fee. The program to be presented will be reviewed and you will be notified no later than March 12, 2010 of the decision. The symposium fee will be processed upon acceptance of your application. Acceptance letters will be sent to companies with appropriate details. Remit payment to:

Graham Education and Research Foundation
 900 Cummings Center, Suite 221-U
 Beverly, MA 01915 USA

Once space at the hotel has been assigned, refunds for canceled or withdrawn symposia will not be possible.

Full Day Program	\$30,000
Half Day Program	\$20,000
Morning/Evening Program	\$15,000

GUIDELINES

Those wishing to designate credit for their symposium will need to obtain credit from another accredited CME Provider/Accredited Sponsor (hospital, university, etc.). The Graham Foundation will not designate CME credit for these programs.

REGULATIONS

Compliance with the AMA's *Ethical Opinion of Gifts to Physicians from Industry* is the responsibility of the individual physician, every effort should be made to ensure that attendees are not put in a situation that would be considered in violation of these guidelines. Approval of proposed symposia will be based on these and other regulations.

JOINT POLICY STATEMENT

The American Association for Thoracic Surgery' (AATS) and The Society of Thoracic Surgeons (STS) strongly discourage others from holding educational events in the general locations of STS or AATS supported meetings, including the STS and AATS Annual Meetings and the jointly supported Tech-Con Programs and Postgraduate Courses, during the 48 hours preceding those meetings. Such unauthorized events are deemed detrimental to STS and AATS educational efforts, and create excessive demands on the time and resources of cardiothoracic surgeons. Both STS and AATS urge their members and corporate partners, as well as other education providers, to respect and adhere to this policy. In turn, each organization will seek to accommodate others in their efforts to reach the cardiothoracic surgery audience in conjunction with their respective and jointly conducted meetings.

SERVICES PROVIDED

The Graham Foundation will provide the following for approved symposia:

1. Access to meeting space at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel
2. Provide facility contact information so that all symposia details may be coordinated directly between the supporting organization and the Fairmont Royal York. Any significant changes must be approved by the Administrative Office prior to final arrangements being made with the Fairmont Royal York.
3. Each exhibitor supporting a symposium will be provided with one complimentary set of pre-registered attendee labels within one week after the pre-registration deadline.
4. Exhibitors supporting symposia will be allowed to include the Association's name and logo in promotional material; however, all promotional materials must be approved by the Administrative Office prior to printing and distribution.
6. A one-page flyer no larger than 8.5" x 11" may be displayed at a "functions table" in the registration area.
7. All promotional material must include the following statement:
" This session is an industry supported satellite symposium and is not an official part of the AATS Annual Meeting Program."