

OPPI Complaint Handling Procedure

All complaints, related to the breach of the OPPI Code of Pharmaceutical Practices 2019 should be addressed to the Director General (DG), OPPI. For filing complaints under the OPPI Code of Pharmaceutical Practices 2019, kindly write to admin@indiaoppi.com

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The complainant must make the complaint in writing and for each case the complainant should:

- (a) Identify himself (whether a company or an individual) with a full mailing address (fax number, if possible, mobile telephone numbers).
- (b) When the Complaint is from a pharmaceutical company, the complaint must be signed or authorized in writing by the company's Managing Director or Chief Executive or equivalent and must state the specific clauses of the OPPI Code of Pharmaceutical Practices 2019 which are alleged to have been breached.
- (c) The Complaint must specify the name of the OPPI member Company, which is alleged to be in breach of the OPPI Code of Pharmaceutical Practices 2019, and the name of any Company personnel, product or products which are specifically involved.
- (d) Provide details of the Activity which is alleged to be in breach of the OPPI Code of Pharmaceutical Practices 2019 along with the date of the alleged breach & supporting evidence of the alleged breach(es).

DG, OPPI will refer the complaint to the three (3) member Ethics Committee for Pharma Marketing Practices (ECPMP) of the OPPI comprising of the DG, OPPI and the Chair and Co-Chair of the OPPI Ethics and Business Integrity Work Group for the adjudication of the complaint as per the OPPI Code of Pharmaceutical Practices 2019 and will accordingly notify the complainant of the decisions taken by the ECPMP.

For processing, a complaint filed with OPPI must be restricted to an activity of breach of OPPI Code of Pharmaceutical Practices 2019 and must be made within three (3) months of the said alleged breach.

Further, OPPI will not be in a position to process a complaint against a company that is not subjected to OPPI Code of Pharmaceutical Practices 2019. In case any complaint is forwarded to OPPI by the Department of Pharmaceuticals (DoP) and OPPI receives such complaint in writing or by email from the complainant in the manner prescribed in the OPPI Code of Pharmaceutical Practices 2019, OPPI will process and take up the matter with the complainant directly.

If a party to the Complaint is dissatisfied with the decision of ECPMP, it may request for review/appeal of the decision by a five (5) member Apex Ethics Committee for Pharmaceuticals Marketing Practices (AECMP) comprising of members represented by the Executive Head of the companies or nominees/senior officers duly authorized by the respective Executive Heads by notifying about the same to the DG, OPPI within thirty (30) calendar days of the notification of the ECPMP decision. The decision of the AECMP shall be final.