



# Institute of Medical Illustrators

## A Code of Professional Conduct for Medical Illustrators

This code of Professional Conduct is issued by the Council of the Institute of Medical Illustrators and is binding on all members of the Institute.

The Council informs all members that failure to observe the requirements set out below would be the kind of conduct that could lead to the termination of membership of the Institute.

- Members should recognise their responsibilities to maintain professional standards and an appropriate scope of practice.
- Clinical Photographers shall avoid causing harm or distress to patients, recognise their beliefs and cultural practice and protect their rights and dignity.
- Members must report to an appropriate authority, circumstances that might put patients or others at risk.
- Members shall work collaboratively with other healthcare professionals in the interests of patient care, teaching and research.
- Members must identify and employ safe working practices and ensure compliance with legislation and health and safety policy.
- Members must continually evaluate personal skills and knowledge and ensure that training and learning processes address the specific requirements of practice.
- Clinical Photographers must protect the confidentiality, security, and copyright of images and information to conform to legislation and protect the rights and dignity of patients.
- Members should not accept unrecognised forms of payment or remuneration from patients, patients' relatives or commercial organisations. Employees should conform to organisational standing financial procedures.