

### Statement on Conflicts of Interest

At the onset of this study on implications of discarded weight-based drugs, there were two committee members whom the National Academies determined to have unavoidable conflicts of interest because their unique expertise could not be found elsewhere and was deemed necessary for the committee to accomplish the task for which it was established. These disclosures are noted on the website and in the report.

Since the release of the report, *Medications in Single-Dose Vials: Implications of Discarded Drugs*, the National Academies have determined that two members of the committee had financial conflicts of interest during the course of the study that had not been fully disclosed. Therefore, the committee members' biosketches in [Appendix D](#) in the report have been updated to disclose these relationships.

The National Academies stand by this report and our committee, which we believe had the appropriate balance of expertise and perspectives necessary to meet its charge. In addition to reaching consensus on its findings and recommendations based on the evidence, the report underwent our rigorous external peer-review process before it was approved for public release. The list of peer reviewers can be found on [page vii](#) of the report.

In recent months, the National Academies have implemented a new conflict of interest policy for consensus studies that requires disclosure of financial and other relevant relationships within the past five years, as well as enhanced governance practices to ensure compliance.