



HRB Position Statement on Researchers funded by the Tobacco and Alcohol industry

In view of the overwhelming evidence that both active and passive smoking of tobacco are injurious to health, the HRB is unwilling to accept applications from individuals applying for, holding, or employed under funding received from the tobacco industry.¹

In light of the lead role played by the Health Research Board in collecting and reporting data on alcohol consumption and alcohol-related harm for policy makers in Ireland, the HRB will not accept applications from individuals applying for, holding or employed under funding received from the alcohol industry and related actors.²

¹ any company, entity or organisation involved in the development, production, promotion, marketing, or sale of tobacco in any country of the world. The term also includes any companies that are a subsidiary or a holding company or affiliate of the above. This also includes E-cigarette companies and non-tobacco related companies which are fully or partially owned by the tobacco industry.

² including social aspects/public relations organisations (SAPROs) funded by alcohol companies or trade associations in which such companies are members.

This will apply to all HRB funding calls issued from January 2024.