



Code of Business Conduct



Dear Colleague,
Our purpose as a company is as straightforward as it is important: we're here to make things better, plain and simple.

We create life-changing health technologies that help people live better, fuller lives. It's a privilege to do this work – and we need to do it in a way that lives up to the nobility of our purpose, with the highest and most ethical of business practices.

To help all of us do so, Abbott maintains a strong Code of Business Conduct. Our Code lays out our values and our principles, so every Abbott person around the world understands the expectations and requirements that guide the actions we take on Abbott's behalf.

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The fundamental message of the Code is clear: it's up to us, as the people of Abbott, to hold ourselves to the highest standards, to live up to our best ideals, and to operate our business with the utmost integrity at all times. Our Code is here to help us do so and to protect our most valuable asset as an organization – our reputation.

Thank you for giving our Code of Conduct your careful attention, for using it to help you make the best decisions in your important work, and for all you do to make Abbott the great and good company that it is.

Best regards,
Robert B. Ford
Chief Executive Officer

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