

Henry Schein Cares International Veterinary Community Service Award Bestowed Upon Dr. Ross Blanks At World Small Animal Veterinary Association Conference

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Award honors Veterinarian's outstanding contribution to society in the face of adversity

MELVILLE, N.Y., March 12, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Henry Schein Cares, the global corporate social responsibility program of Henry Schein, Inc. (NASDAQ: HSIC), the world's largest provider of health care products and services to office-based dental, medical and animal health practitioners, bestowed the Henry Schein Cares International Veterinary Community Service Award upon Dr. Ross Trevor Blanks. The award was presented at the World Small Animal Veterinary Association Conference in Auckland, New Zealand on March 7 by Lonnie Shoff, President and Chief Executive Officer, Global Animal Health and Strategic Partnerships, Henry Schein, Inc.

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The award honored Dr. Blanks' exceptional work as a management coordinator for the veterinary emergency response team and a member of the management team that established the animal welfare response center in the aftermath of the catastrophic February 2011 earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand.

Provet, a Henry Schein Company, is Australasia's largest distributor of veterinary products. Based in Brisbane, Queensland, Provet is a full-service veterinary distributor and service provider, including pharmaceuticals, pet nutrition products, consumables, instruments and equipment, and training and software. The Company is focused on veterinary practices and operates four core businesses: veterinary product wholesaling; sales, support and development of practice management software; consulting, education and training services; and online business activities.

"Henry Schein is pleased to honor Dr. Blanks, an extraordinary person who truly exemplifies the best of what a health professional can be," said Stanley M. Bergman, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Henry Schein, Inc. "Dr. Blanks' work to care for pets affected by the tragedy that struck Christchurch and his efforts to re-unite these pets with their owners was exceptional. This work is exemplary of Dr. Blanks' outstanding career of service over the past two decades to improve the health and welfare of pets in his community and throughout New Zealand. He is the perfect person to accept our inaugural Henry Schein Cares International Veterinary Community Service Award."

The Henry Schein Cares International Veterinary Community Service Award, created by Nigel Nichols, Chief Executive Officer, Provet Group, and John Maclachlan, Member of Provet's Advisory Board and Past President of the New Zealand Veterinary Association, honors exceptional acts of valor and commitment by veterinarians in the face of adversity. Dr. Blanks will present the \$5,000 check from Henry Schein Cares to the New Zealand Veterinary Emergency Response Team.

"Provet is so proud to have the inaugural Henry Schein Cares International Veterinary Community Service Award presented at the World Small Animal Veterinary Association Conference, a premier gathering of veterinarians from all over the world," said Nigel Nichols. "Dr. Blanks is truly a hero here in New Zealand, and we are honored to spotlight his extraordinary contributions to Christchurch on this global stage."

About Henry Schein's Animal Health Business

In addition to its Animal Health business in Australia and New Zealand, Henry Schein serves veterinary customers in the United States and 11 countries across Europe, including Austria, Belgium, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Holland, Ireland, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom. Henry Schein's Global Animal Health business has annual sales of more than \$2 billion.

About Henry Schein Cares and the Henry Schein Cares Foundation

Henry Schein Cares, Henry Schein's global corporate social responsibility program, stands on four pillars: engaging Team Schein Members to reach their potential, ensuring accountability by extending ethical business practices to all levels within Henry Schein, promoting environmental sustainability, and expanding access to health care for underserved and at-risk communities around the world. Health care activities supported by Henry Schein Cares focus on three main areas: advancing wellness, building capacity in the delivery of health care services, and assisting in emergency preparedness and relief. Firmly rooted in a deep commitment to social responsibility and the concept of enlightened self-interest championed by Benjamin Franklin, the philosophy behind Henry Schein Cares is a vision of "doing well by doing good." Through the work of Henry Schein Cares to enhance access to care for those in need, the Company believes that it is furthering its long-term success.

Established in 2008, Henry Schein Cares Foundation, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization, works to foster, support, and promote dental, medical, and animal health by helping to increase access to care for communities around the world.

The Henry Schein Cares Foundation carries out its mission through financial and health care product donations that support health care professionals and community-based programs focused on prevention, wellness, and treatment; disaster preparedness and relief; and capacity building of health institutions that provide training and care. To learn more about the Henry Schein Cares Foundation, please visit: www.hscaresfoundation.org. The "Helping Health Happen Blog" is a platform for health care professionals to share their volunteer experiences delivering assistance to those in need globally. To read more about how Henry Schein Cares is making a difference, please visit our blog: http://helpinghealthhappen.org/.

About Henry Schein, Inc.

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The Company offers a comprehensive selection of products and services, including value-added solutions for operating efficient practices and delivering high-quality care. Henry Schein operates through a centralized and automated distribution network, with a selection of more than 96,000 branded products and Henry Schein private-brand products in stock, as well as more than 110,000 additional products available as special-order

items. The Company also offers its customers exclusive, innovative technology solutions, including practice management software and e-commerce solutions, as well as a broad range of financial services.

Headquartered in Melville, N.Y., Henry Schein has operations or affiliates in 25 countries. The Company's sales reached a record \$8.9 billion in 2012, and have grown at a compound annual rate of 17 percent since Henry Schein became a public company in 1995. For more information, visit the Henry Schein Web site at www.henryschein.com.

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