

Henry Schein Extends Partnership with Special Olympics Through 2025, Promoting Wellness and Health Education for Athletes with Intellectual Disabilities Around the World

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MELVILLE, N.Y.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May 13, 2024-- Henry Schein, Inc. (Nasdaq: HSIC), the world's largest provider of health care solutions to office-based dental and medical practitioners, today announced that it has extended through 2025 its existing partnership with Special Olympics to support health screening and education for its athletes at select events around the world.

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A Special Olympics athlete receives oral health education during a free screening at Special Olympics Healthy Athletes® at the 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Austria. (Photo: Business Wire)

Through this partnership, Henry Schein donates essential oral health and medical care products for the Special Olympics Healthy Athletes® program in Australia, Canada, Germany, the United Kingdom, and the United States. The goal of the Healthy Athletes program is to support the

physical and social-emotional well-being of people with intellectual disabilities (ID) and to reduce health disparities and increase life expectancy.

Henry Schein's donations are used during screenings in seven Healthy Athletes disciplines: Fit Feet (podiatry); FUNfitness (physical therapy); Health Promotion (better health and well-being); MedFest (sports physical exam); Strong Minds (emotional well-being); Healthy Young Athletes (pediatric screening); and Special Smiles (oral health).

Since 2018, Henry Schein has supported Special Olympics and its athletes by donating a range of essential health care products and most recently, for the June 2023 Special Olympics World Games held in Berlin, Germany. As a Spirit Partner to Special Olympics, the Company actively serves an important role in Special Olympics' health programming. In addition, the partnership empowers and encourages health care providers to volunteer their time and services to increase the knowledge of best practices in caring for and communicating with people with ID.

According to [Special Olympics](#), despite severe need and higher health risks, individuals with ID are often denied health services and die on average 16 years sooner than the general population.

"We are delighted to strengthen our partnership with Special Olympics, furthering our commitment to the Healthy Athletes program and health equity as a whole," said Jennifer Kim Field, Chief Sustainability Officer at Henry Schein. "By joining together with Special Olympics, we are helping to expand access to care for an often overlooked community, which is a core tenet of our corporate citizenship commitment. Team Schein is honored to play a key role – alongside Special Olympics and health care providers – in helping to improve the overall health of athletes from around the world."

Since its inception in 1997, the Healthy Athletes program has delivered over two million free health screenings and trained over 300,000 health care professionals, clinical volunteers, and students in using adapted screening protocols and in communicating effectively with people with intellectual disabilities. These trainings also aid in building the health care community's capacity to serve the needs of people with intellectual disabilities outside of Special Olympics events, as providers take these skills back to their practices and provide higher quality health care to people with intellectual disabilities – not just Special Olympic athletes – in their communities.

"The collaboration between Henry Schein and Special Olympics has already strengthened our ability to provide the high-quality health screenings that our athletes deserve," said Annemarie Hill, Special Olympics Senior Vice President, Global Health Operations. "We are pleased to continue the relationship with Henry Schein, reinforcing our shared belief that all people deserve quality health care, regardless of their differences."

The donations to Special Olympics Healthy Athletes are an initiative of [Henry Schein Cares](#), the Company's global corporate social responsibility program.

About Henry Schein Cares

Henry Schein Cares stands on five pillars: empowering Team Schein to reach their potential, advancing health equity and expanding access to care for underserved communities, accelerating environmental sustainability, strengthening and diversifying our supply chain, and maintaining strong ethical governance. Health care activities supported by Henry Schein Cares focus on four main areas: (1) wellness, treatment, prevention, and education; (2) capacity building; (3) emergency preparedness and disaster response; and (4) health system strengthening.

Rooted in a deep commitment to social responsibility and the philosophy of enlightened self-interest championed by Benjamin Franklin, the purpose-driven vision of Henry Schein Cares is "doing well by doing good." Our commitment to sustained, long-term economic success while also creating shared value for society is achieved through the work of Henry Schein Cares and our stakeholder model that engages all five constituents of our Mosaic of Success. To learn more about how we are making a difference, please visit: www.henryschein.com/corporatecitizenship.

About Henry Schein

Henry Schein, Inc. (Nasdaq: HSIC) is a solutions company for health care professionals powered by a network of people and technology. With more than 25,000 [Team Schein Members](#) worldwide, the Company's network of trusted advisors provides more than 1 million customers globally with more than 300 valued solutions that help improve operational success and clinical outcomes. Our Business, Clinical, Technology, and Supply Chain solutions help office-based [dental](#) and [medical](#) practitioners work more efficiently so they can provide quality care more effectively. These solutions also support [dental laboratories](#), [government and institutional health care clinics](#), as well as other alternate care sites.

Henry Schein operates through a centralized and automated distribution network, with a selection of more than 300,000 branded products and Henry

Schein corporate brand products in our distribution centers.

A FORTUNE 500 Company and a member of the S&P 500® index, Henry Schein is headquartered in Melville, N.Y., and has operations or affiliates in 33 countries and territories. The Company's sales reached \$12.3 billion in 2023, and have grown at a compound annual rate of approximately 11.5 percent since Henry Schein became a public company in 1995.

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About Special Olympics International

Founded in 1968, Special Olympics is a global movement to end discrimination against people with intellectual disabilities. We foster acceptance of all people through the power of sport and programming in education, health, and leadership. With nearly four million athletes and Unified Sports® partners and one million coaches and volunteers in more than 170 countries, Special Olympics delivers more than 30 Olympic-type sports and nearly 50,000 games and competitions every year. Engage with us on: X, Facebook, YouTube, Instagram, TikTok, and LinkedIn. Learn more at SpecialOlympics.org.



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