

## Henry Schein Debuts on List of Top 100 Innovators of Information Technology by InformationWeek

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Company continues four-year climb in prestigious InformationWeek  
500 rankings of companies using information technology to enhance  
business operations

For the fourth consecutive year, Henry Schein, Inc. (NASDAQ: HSIC), the largest distributor of healthcare products and services to office-based practitioners in the combined North American and European markets, has been named by InformationWeek as one of the nation's 500 most innovative users of information technology. This year, the Company debuted in the elite Top 100 Innovators list at number 83, up from 131 in 2004 and 304 in 2003.

"Innovation has been a hallmark of Henry Schein for decades, and it is gratifying to see our commitment to emerging technology recognized in such a visible way," said Stanley M. Bergman, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Henry Schein. "Technology plays an important role in every facet of our business - from the way we interact with our customers to setting new standards for logistical excellence to the products we offer. As a result, we continually reshape the markets we serve and have positioned our company as a business partner that adds great value to our customers' practices."

The InformationWeek 500, which has become a benchmark of organizational performance over the past 17 years, annually polls firms in 21 industries to determine which companies have used information technology most effectively to increase efficiency, corporate accountability and new business development. To be considered for inclusion, companies must first complete a comprehensive qualifying application that details management priorities, technology strategies, staffing initiatives and budget plans. The 2005 InformationWeek 500 list comprises a cross section of predominantly Fortune 500 companies from numerous industries, including automotive, consumer goods, financial, manufacturing, medical, transportation and others.

"The Top 100 Innovators list includes an impressive array of diverse, successful companies that share at least one trait - a commitment to technology that runs through all levels of the organization," said Jim Harding, Senior Vice President and Chief Technology Officer of Henry Schein. "In our case, Henry Schein's senior corporate leaders have recognized and embraced the benefits that technology can offer, and ensured that this vision is shared by all members of their business groups."

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### About Henry Schein, Inc.

Henry Schein, a Fortune 500(R) company, is recognized for its excellent customer service and highly competitive prices. The Company's four business groups--Dental, Medical, International and Technology--serve more than 475,000 customers worldwide, including dental practices and laboratories, physician practices and veterinary clinics, as well as government and other institutions. The Company's sales reached a record \$4.1 billion in 2004. The Company operates through a centralized and automated distribution network, which provides customers in more than 125 countries with a comprehensive selection of over 160,000 national and Henry Schein private-brand products.

Henry Schein also offers a wide range of innovative value-added practice solutions, including such leading practice management software systems as DENTRIX(R) and Easy Dental(R) for dental practices, and AVImark(R) for veterinary clinics, which are installed in over 50,000 practices; and Aruba(R), Henry Schein's electronic catalog and ordering system.

Headquartered in Melville, N.Y., Henry Schein employs nearly 11,000 people and operations in 19 countries. For more information, visit the Henry Schein Web site at [www.henryschein.com](http://www.henryschein.com).

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