

Henry Schein's Tenth Annual Holiday Cheer Program Brightens the Season for Less Fortunate Families

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Team Schein Members Partner with Local Agencies to Make Holiday Wishes Come True for Children in the Community

MELVILLE, N.Y.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Dec. 29, 2008--For the tenth 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, helped to make the holiday wishes of nearly 800 children and their families come true. Founded in 1999, Henry Schein's Holiday Cheer program is part of the Company's global social responsibility program, Henry Schein Cares.

Team Schein Members partnered with social service agencies to ensure that the holiday season is brighter for less fortunate families in several local communities where the Company has operations. Team Schein Members sponsored individual children and purchased gifts from their "wish lists" including clothing, toys, games, and more. During special events hosted by Henry Schein, Team Schein Members had the pleasure of meeting the children and their families and presenting them with their gifts, along with holiday food baskets.

"Holiday Cheer is a wonderful opportunity for Team Schein Members to give back to our local communities and brighten the holidays for children. This year, as many of our neighbors are confronted with tremendous economic challenges, the program takes on even more importance," said Gerry Benjamin, Henry Schein's Chief Administrative Officer and Executive Vice President. "At the heart of Henry Schein Cares is a deep commitment to corporate citizenship, and the enthusiasm with which Team Schein Members embrace our Holiday Cheer program underscores the spirit of compassion that is part of the fiber of Henry Schein."

About Henry Schein

Henry Schein, a Fortune 500(R) company and a member of the NASDAQ 100(R) Index, 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 550,000 customers worldwide, including dental practitioners and laboratories, physician practices and animal health clinics, as well as government and other institutions. The Company operates through a centralized and automated distribution network, which provides customers in more than 200 countries with a comprehensive selection of more than 90,000 national and Henry Schein private-brand products in stock, as well as more than 100,000 additional products available as special-order items.

Henry Schein also offers a wide range of innovative value-added practice solutions for healthcare professionals, such as ArubA(R), the Company's electronic catalog and ordering system. Its leading practice-management software solutions have a user base of more than 52,000 practices, including DENTRIX(R), Easy Dental(R), Oasis(R) and EXACT(R) for dental practices, MicroMD(R) for physician practices, and AVImark(R) for animal health clinics.

Headquartered in Melville, N.Y., Henry Schein employs over 12,000 people and has operations or affiliates in 20 countries. The Company's net sales reached a record \$5.9 billion in 2007. For more information, visit the Henry Schein Web site at www.henryschein.com.

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