

The Virginia Dental Association Honors Henry Schein Cares With the Organization's First Corporate Partner Award

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Henry Schein's Chairman and CEO accepts award at American Dental Association Annual Session recognizing partnership to enhance access to care for underserved communities

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The Virginia Dental Association honored Henry Schein Cares, the global corporate social responsibility program of Henry Schein, Inc. (NASDAQ: HSIC), the largest provider of health care products and services to office-based practitioners, with the organization's first Corporate Partner Award at the recent American Dental Association (ADA) Annual Meeting held in Las Vegas, Nev. The Virginia Dental Association, a professional association representing nearly 3,000 dental professionals throughout the state of Virginia, presented this award in honor of the organization's decade-long partnership with Henry Schein Cares in providing free oral health care to underserved communities through the Mission of Mercy program.

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In accepting the Virginia Dental Association's Corporate Partner Award, Stanley M. Bergman, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Henry Schein, Inc. said, "It is a humbling distinction for Henry Schein Cares to be recognized by the members of the Virginia Dental Association as the very first Corporate Partner Award winner. We are proud of the fruitful collaboration that we have enjoyed with the Virginia Dental Association over the years to advance access to care, education, and prevention across the state, and we look forward to many more years of working together to help the dentists of Virginia provide the best possible care for their patients and to advance many worthy community-based oral health care programs."

Over the past decade, Henry Schein Cares has donated oral health care products and equipment to the Virginia Dental Association's Mission of Mercy program valued at more than \$250,000. Since the program began 12 years ago, the Virginia Dental Association's Mission of Mercy program has provided free oral health care to more than 41,000 patients in underserved communities and mobilized the energies of more than 12,500 volunteers across the state.

"We simply could not have left our mark on the underserved communities of Virginia without the support of Henry Schein Cares," said Terry D. Dickinson, D.D.S., Executive Director, Virginia Dental Association. "Henry Schein has so ably demonstrated that 'doing good' is always part of being successful and 'doing well' as a company. I commend Mr. Bergman and Henry Schein for setting the bar for others to emulate and follow."

About the Virginia Dental Association

The Virginia Dental Association (VDA) is a professional association representing nearly 3,000 dental professionals throughout the state of Virginia. The goal of the VDA is to meet the dental needs of the people of the state of Virginia through the improvement of dental education, practice, and research. VDA is online at www.vadental.org.

About Henry Schein Cares

Henry Schein Cares, Henry Schein's global corporate social responsibility program, enhances access to health care for underserved and at-risk communities around the world. 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.

About Henry Schein, Inc.

Henry Schein, Inc. (NASDAQ: HSIC), the largest provider of health care products and services to office-based practitioners, is a Fortune 500® company and a member of the NASDAQ 100® Index. The Company is recognized for its excellent customer service and highly competitive prices. Henry Schein's five businesses - Dental, Medical, Animal Health, International, and Technology - serve more than 700,000 customers worldwide, including dental practitioners and laboratories, physician practices, and animal health practices, 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 provides exclusive, innovative technology offerings for dental, medical, and veterinary professionals, including value-added practice management software and electronic health record solutions.

Headquartered in Melville, N.Y., Henry Schein employs more than 14,000 people and has operations or affiliates in 25 countries. The Company's net sales reached a record \$7.5 billion in 2010. For more information, visit the Henry Schein Web site at www.henryschein.com.

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