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Hemostatic HemCon Patch™ selected by the Premier healthcare alliance as commitment to healthcare quality improvement, innovation

Portland, OR June 17, 2009 – The hemostatic HemCon Patch from HemCon Medical Technologies, Inc. and Cardinal Health was recently featured in the Premier healthcare alliance's inaugural Innovation Celebration, an event to celebrate advances in healthcare while highlighting healthcare industry suppliers committed to innovation and improving patient outcomes. The HemCon Patch improves patient care following diagnostic and interventional vascular access procedures by offering safe and fast hemostasis with an effective antibacterial barrier that may help to reduce the risk of hospital acquired infections.

Premier's Innovation Celebration highlights innovative solutions that bring a positive impact to health care delivery. The 26 products showcased were selected by a cross-functional team of Premier alliance members and staff of varying expertise, including clinical product planners, clinical field specialists, pharmacists, supply chain professionals, materials management and nurses.

Premier contracts with more than 800 suppliers, and Cardinal Health was one of 24 selected to participate in the Innovation Celebration. Cardinal Health, the exclusive distributor and co-branded partner of the HemCon Patch™, and HemCon joined together at the event to represent the co-branded hemostatic dressings.

“HemCon is pleased to be recognized with Cardinal Health as an innovator in health care. Our company is committed to creating new technology platforms that drive innovation and improve patient outcomes. We're excited that Premier is showcasing revolutionary developments like our HemCon Patch,” said HemCon Chief Executive Officer John W. Morgan.

“The Innovation Celebration is a unique opportunity to unveil revolutionary concepts and developments in the healthcare industry,” said Premier Purchasing Partners President Mike Alkire. “Similar to the Premier alliance, these suppliers are committed to innovation that leads to improved quality and reduced costs, and we're happy to showcase their efforts to our alliance members.”

Innovation Celebration participants were featured on June 16 at the 2009 Premier Annual Breakthroughs Conference and Exhibition in Anaheim, Calif. Basic criteria for selection included solutions that displayed uniqueness, as well as solutions that have an impact on an unmet medical need.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.premierinc.com/about/events-education/breakthroughs/2009/supplier/innovation-celebration.jsp>

About Premier Inc., 2006 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award recipient

The Premier healthcare alliance is more than 2,100 U.S. hospitals and 58,000-plus other healthcare sites working together to improve healthcare quality and affordability. Premier maintains the nation's most comprehensive repository of clinical, financial and outcomes information and operates a leading healthcare purchasing network. A world leader in helping deliver measurable improvements in care, Premier works with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and the United Kingdom's National Health Service North West to improve hospital performance. Premier has offices in San Diego, Charlotte, N.C., Philadelphia and Washington.

About HemCon Medical Technologies, Inc.

HemCon Medical Technologies Inc. is a leading global developer of advanced medical products designed to improve the standard of patient care. The company is responsible for developing the chitosan-based HemCon dressing used by thousands of military and civilian first responders and is changing wound care best practices in hospital, dental and clinical settings. In addition, HemCon is leading the charge to develop and license unique, life-saving medical advances including lyophilized human plasma and nanofiber technologies for wound care. HemCon is headquartered in Portland, Ore., with additional commercial operations in Ireland, England, Germany and the Czech Republic. For more information, please visit www.hemcon.com.