

Kimberly-Clark Honored With Novation 'Supplier Of The Year' Award

Award Recognizes Superior Service to the Members Served by Novation

ROSWELL, Ga., May 31, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- [Kimberly-Clark](#) today announced it was named overall supplier of the year and awarded the second annual Mark McKenna award by [Novation](#), a leading health care supply chain expertise and contracting company for the members of VHA, UHC, Children's Hospital Association and Provista LLC.

The Mark McKenna award recognizes the company's outstanding service to Novation's Alliance members in 2012 and celebrates Mark McKenna's legacy of putting hospitals and patients first. McKenna, who passed away in 2011, served as the president and CEO of Novation from 1999 through 2006.

"Kimberly-Clark is dedicated to providing the members Novation serves with superior service as well as economic and clinical value," said Joanne Bauer, President, Kimberly-Clark Health Care. "We value our long-standing relationship with this important partner and are most appreciative of this recognition, especially the prestigious Mark McKenna award, which speaks to our number one priority, the people we serve – our customers and their patients."

In addition to being named overall supplier of the year, Kimberly-Clark was also recognized as medical-surgical supplier of the year and won the compliance & integrity award. The medical-surgical supplier of the year is recognized by the Novation Awards Committee from among those companies with significant growth year-over-year, that are fully engaged and invested with Novation and the Alliance staff, are compliant with national contract terms, continually work with Novation to bring forth differential value for members, and are in strategic alignment with Novation. The compliance and integrity award is a member-selected award to the supplier who has the highest reputation for integrity and most closely aligns to our collective ethical supplier standards. Further, this award recognizes other criteria such as proven compliance with laws and regulations, the avoidance of conflicts of interest and alignment with Novation's Supplier Standards.

About Kimberly-Clark

Kimberly-Clark Corp. (NYSE: KMB) and its well-known global brands are an indispensable part of life for people in more than 175 countries. Every day, nearly a quarter of the world's population trust K-C's brands and the solutions they provide to enhance their health, hygiene and well-being. With brands such as Kleenex, Scott, Huggies, Pull-Ups, Kotex and Depend, Kimberly-Clark holds the No. 1 or No. 2 share position in more than 80 countries. To keep up with the latest K-C news and to learn more about the company's 141-year history of innovation, visit www.kimberly-clark.com or follow us on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).

Kimberly-Clark in the Healthcare Environment

Around the world, medical professionals turn to Kimberly-Clark for a wide portfolio of solutions that improve the health, hygiene and well-being of their patients and staff. As part of their healing mission, caregivers rely on Kimberly-Clark to deliver clinical solutions, hygiene & cleaning offerings, and educational resources that they can depend on to prevent, diagnose and manage a wide variety of healthcare-associated infections. A global

enterprise of more than \$1 billion, Kimberly-Clark Health Care holds the No. 1 or No. 2 market share position in several categories, including infection control solutions, surgical solutions, pain management, hygiene solutions and digestive health. And throughout the care continuum, patients and staff alike trust Kimberly-Clark medical supplies and devices, KLEENEX tissues, KLEENEX & SCOTT skin care products and SCOTT towels for day-to-day needs. For more information, visit <http://www.kchealthcare.com> and <http://www.kcprofessional.com>.

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