

**McKesson Announces 2007 Pharmacy of the Year Awards at the Company's
Pharmacy Strategies Conference in Boston**

*Standard Drug Health Mart in Missouri Receives Grand Prize Award
for Outstanding Patient Care and Community Involvement*

Boston, MA — McKesson Pharmacy Strategies Conference — July 9, 2007 — McKesson Corporation, the world's leading healthcare services company, today announced the winners of its 2007 Pharmacy of the Year awards, which include one national Grand Prize winner and eight Regional Pharmacy of the Year winners. McKesson's annual awards program recognizes leading independent pharmacies for the exceptional healthcare contributions they have made to their communities over the past 12 months. The winners were announced at the annual [McKesson Pharmacy Strategies Conference](#) in Boston.

The 2007 national Grand Prize was awarded to Standard Drug Health Mart in Wentzville, MO. The pharmacy is part of the four-store Standard Drug Health Mart chain owned and operated in the greater St. Louis area by Jerry Roberts, a registered pharmacist.

This year's grand prize and regional winners were selected based on their performance against several key criteria, including: customer educational programs, use of technology to increase efficiencies and ensure accuracy, product selection, in-store programs and design, local marketing and advertisement, and community involvement.

"Each of this year's 2007 Pharmacy of the Year award winners exemplifies what independent pharmacy is known for — the highest level of personalized patient care," said Stefan Linn, President, Health Mart and Senior Vice President of Marketing, McKesson Pharmaceutical. "Our Grand Prize winner, Standard Drug Health Mart, truly defines what it means to consistently provide patients with a best-in-class experience — from private health consultations, to wellness screenings, to a wide selection of prescription and over-the-counter products. It's an honor to congratulate Standard Drug Health Mart and all of our regional award winners for their commitment to delivering the highest level of pharmaceutical care."

Community Pharmacy at Its Best

Family-owned for more than 75 years, Standard Drug Health Mart is the only locally-owned pharmacy serving the community. At 8,800 square feet, it is also one of the largest pharmacies in the area. After joining the Health Mart franchise, Roberts built his grand prize pharmacy from the ground up, leveraging a complete new store package from Health Mart including signage, store design, consumer-preferred décor, and more. Like Standard Drug Health Mart, a growing percentage of independent pharmacies are joining Health Mart to build ground-up pharmacies or expand current stores, contributing substantially to the franchise's growth.

In January 2007, the pharmacy celebrated its grand opening, showcasing a number of best-in-class store features, including: a double drive-through window for prescription pickup; private consultation room; home healthcare section; one-hour photo; and gifts, cosmetics, and grocery areas. Focused on community wellness, the pharmacy also hosts health screenings for blood pressure, osteoporosis, cholesterol, glucose/diabetes, and more.

“At Standard Drug Health Mart, our number one priority is to always exceed the expectations of our customers,” said Jerry Roberts, RPh and owner, Standard Drug Health Mart. “As an independent pharmacy, we’re faced with an increasingly competitive marketplace, but one that is also ripe with great opportunity for growth. McKesson and Health Mart have partnered with us every step of the way, providing us with the resources to create a best-in-class pharmacy that our customers can count on for the highest level of personal attention. We’re thrilled to be named Pharmacy of the Year.”

Active in his community, Roberts is a member of the St. Louis Pharmacy Association, the Missouri Pharmacy Association, the National Community Pharmacy Association, and the National Association of Chain Drug Stores. He also contributes to local organizations and charities, including the St. Charles Rotary Club and the Community Living for the Handicapped Legacy Ball.

“We are enormously proud and grateful for the contributions Jerry Roberts has made to the pharmacy profession and to the St. Louis region,” said Thomas F. Patton, President of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy. “This award recognizes Standard Drug’s commitment to its customers, but it also highlights the great career opportunities available in independent pharmacy for today’s students.”

Health Mart Helps Award Winners Level the Playing Field

Health Mart Systems[®], the country’s fastest-growing independent pharmacy network, is helping to level the playing field for independent pharmacies by providing its members with the resources and national strength they need to more effectively compete in today’s increasingly competitive marketplace. Members benefit from a managed care network; consumer-preferred branding and advertising; in-store programs that drive greater manufacturer and payor recognition; and programs that help them partner more effectively with their peers, industry associations, and policymakers.

Since McKesson announced plans at its 2006 Pharmacy Strategies Conference to grow Health Mart into the largest independent pharmacy franchise, Health Mart has experienced 400% growth, increasing from 350 pharmacies one year ago to more than 1,500 today. Such rapid and continued expansion underscores the significant value that Health Mart provides independent pharmacies seeking to grow their revenue and increase their competitive advantage. (See announcement, “McKesson Unveils Bold Plans for Delivering the Future of Independent Pharmacy through Industry-Leading Health Mart Franchise,” July 9, 2007.)

McKesson also announced eight Regional Pharmacy of the Year winners:

Northeast:

- Marianne Health Mart Pharmacy, Shipperville, PA
- Marra’s Health Mart Pharmacy, Cohoes, NY

North Central:

- Bridgeport Health Mart Pharmacy, Bridgeport, MI
- Oregon Health Mart Pharmacy, Oregon, WI

South:

- Burton’s Health Mart Pharmacy, Greensboro, NC
- Thrift Town Health Mart Pharmacy, Amite, LA

West:

- Corner Drug Health Mart Pharmacy, Woodland, CA
- Good Day Health Mart Pharmacy, Loveland, CO

About Health Mart

Health Mart, today's fastest-growing independent pharmacy network in the U.S., helps independent pharmacies compete locally and nationally by delivering managed care contracting services, marketing and advertising tools, in-store programs, and operational support. Health Mart's distinctive, consumer-preferred logo, store design, and decor help independent pharmacists reinforce their unique role as community healthcare advisors providing exceptional counseling, patient education, and wellness support at similar price points to chain pharmacies. Health Mart delivers an industry-leading program for a set monthly fee without any up-front initiation fee and provides franchisees with a no-fault out clause. For more information, please visit www.healthmart.com.

About McKesson Corporation

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