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Nihon Kohden America Honored by Premier Healthcare Alliance for Exceeding Performance Expectations

Foothill Ranch, California, June 30, 2010 – Nihon Kohden America today announced that it is a winner of the Supplier Performance Award, presented by the [Premier Healthcare Alliance](#).

Premier contracts with more than 800 suppliers and Nihon Kohden America is one of 65 contracted suppliers to receive the Performance Award. Winners are recognized for their outstanding management of Premier agreements and drive toward the mutual goal of providing clinical and financial value to the not-for-profit hospital members of the Premier alliance.

“Nihon Kohden America is proud to accept this prestigious award from Premier, states Mike Dashefsky, VP of Patient Monitoring and Kathy Hart, Director Neurology. This confirms Nihon Kohden’s position as a market leader in both patient monitoring and neurodiagnostic / sleep monitoring. Nihon Kohden is committed to product innovation that delivers superior diagnostic and monitoring solutions and is dedicated to our corporate partnerships”.

Jim Fagan accepted the award at the 2010 Premier Annual Breakthroughs Conference and Exhibition in Washington. The award ceremony was held at the Gaylord National Hotel and Convention Center on Wednesday, June 9.

“The Performance Award honors Premier valued suppliers that strive for collaboration and performance excellence to benefit the alliance and we are honored to recognize these top performers,” said [Premier Purchasing Partners](#) president, Mike Alkire.

Premier's Performance Award applauds the efforts of contracted suppliers to meet and exceed operational expectations. In selecting recipients, satisfaction and performance data are collected and scored over four successive calendar quarters. Feedback is provided during regular supplier business line reviews. Organizations scoring 80 percent or higher earn the Performance Award.

For more information, please visit:

<http://www.premierinc.com/about/news/awards/index.jsp>

About the Premier healthcare alliance, 2006 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award recipient

Premier is a performance improvement alliance of more than 2,300 U.S. hospitals and 67,000-plus other healthcare sites working together to achieve high quality, cost-effective care. Owned by not-for-profit hospitals, 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. Headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., Premier also has offices in San Diego, Philadelphia and Washington. www.premierinc.com

About Nihon Kohden, Neurology Division

Nihon Kohden is Japan's leading manufacturer, developer and distributor of medical electronic equipment with subsidiaries in North America, Europe and Asia and distribution in over 100 countries. For more than 50 years, healthcare providers worldwide have relied on the quality and reliability of Nihon Kohden's comprehensive and innovative line of neurodiagnostic and monitoring instrumentation to aid in the diagnosis, information and treatment of their patients. The breadth of our Neurology product portfolio includes epilepsy monitoring, EEG, ambulatory recording, Polysomnography, Intra-operative and ICU monitoring, EMG, nerve conduction and evoked potentials. Neurotronics, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Nihon Kohden Corporation. When performance counts, you can rely on Nihon Kohden to assist you in delivering the highest quality patient care as efficiently as possible. More information about Nihon Kohden America can be found at www.nkusa.com.

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