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## **Premier Inc. Celebrates a Decade of Showcasing the Latest Medical Innovations at Annual Conference**

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Premier Inc., a leading healthcare improvement company, celebrated a decade of showcasing innovative products during its Innovation Celebration last night. The annual event honors supplier commitment to industry-leading healthcare advancements.

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Over the past 10 years, the Innovation Celebration has been a key element of the annual [Premier Breakthroughs Conference and Exhibition](#). This year, more than 4,000 healthcare industry leaders from health systems, academic institutions, non-acute care providers and supplier organizations across the nation are attending the conference in Nashville.

New products and devices showcased during the Innovation Celebration were selected based on their uniqueness, ability to have an impact on unmet clinical needs and potential to improve patient care. Products ranged from a more comfortable mammogram system to augmented reality imaging and a vaccine that prevents shingles.

“We are so proud to have been able to spotlight dozens of ground-breaking products over the past decade,” said Michael J. Alkire, Chief Operating Officer, Premier. “Since its inception in 2009, the Innovation Celebration has been one of the most successful and effective ways for Premier to introduce new products to our members and encourage their use. Each year, attendees get the opportunity to learn about the newest and most unique medical devices and products that are advancing patient care.”

Products and devices are selected by a group of dedicated clinical and supply chain improvement experts that are health system members of Premier sourcing committees. Decisions are based on product uniqueness, ability to have an impact on unmet clinical needs and potential to improve patient care.

Please visit [Premier's Innovation Celebration](#) site to view descriptions of the products.

### **2018 Innovation Celebration participants and innovations**

- [Hologic, Inc.—SmartCurve Breast Stabilization System](#)
- [TeraRecon—HoloPortal](#)
- Phillips Healthcare—Philips IntelliSite Pathology Solution
- Canon Medical Systems—Aplio iSeries: i1800 Ultrasound System
- Medtronic—Signia™ Stapling System
- Cianna Medical—SAVI SCOUT®
- Claret Medical Inc.—Sentinel Cerebral Protection System
- GlaxoSmithKline—Shingrix
- Nephron Pharmaceuticals Corporation—Pocket Neb

Any supplier, regardless of whether the company is contracted with Premier, can be considered for participation in the Innovation Celebration. Premier contracts with approximately 1,300 suppliers.

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