

## Network Services Company Honored by Premier Inc., with Two Prestigious Awards

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Schaumburg, IL –June 30, 2015 – Network Services Company (NETWORK®), a significant force in national janitorial distribution, is pleased to announce that it has been recognized by Premier Inc., a leading healthcare improvement company, with two esteemed supplier awards.

# **Supplier Legacy Award**

NETWORK was recognized for its long-standing support of Premier healthcare members through exceptional local customer service and engagement, value creation through clinical excellence and commitment to lower costs.

"NETWORK has been supporting Premier members for years offering valuable products and services that help to lower supply chain costs and improve operating efficiencies," said Durral R. Gilbert, president of supply chain services, Premier. "They've also supported alliance members during periods of increased need at a local level. We're honored to recognize them as a Legacy Award recipient."

#### **Continuum of Care Award**

One of two organizations to receive this award in 2016, NETWORK was recognized as a top performer for its growth and support of Premier's REACH program, which includes education, hospitality, recreation, community, and business and industry organizations.

"Non-healthcare markets are expansive and growing rapidly," said Joan Ralph, group vice president, continuum of care, Premier. "We are thrilled to present NETWORK with this honor as they work to provide high-value services in their community."

"NETWORK is strongly committed to driving business success for customers. In a world of increasing pressure to reduce costs without sacrificing outcomes, the long standing partnership with Premier offers members the advantages of expertise in supply chain and operations to positively impact the bottom line," said Natalie DePace, Vice President of Business Development for NETWORK. "We look forward to many more years of exceeding expectations for Premier and its membership."

NETWORK accepted both awards at Premier's 2016 <u>Breakthroughs Conference and Exhibition</u> on June 22.

## **About Premier Inc.**

Premier Inc. is a leading healthcare improvement company, uniting an alliance of approximately 3,600 U.S. hospitals and 120,000 other providers to transform healthcare. With integrated data and analytics, collaboratives, supply chain solutions, and advisory and other services, Premier enables better care and outcomes at a lower cost. Premier, a Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award recipient, plays a critical role in the rapidly evolving healthcare industry, collaborating with members to co-develop long-term innovations that reinvent and improve the way care is delivered to patients nationwide. Headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., Premier is passionate about transforming American healthcare. Please visit Premier's news and investor sites on www.premierinc.com for more information about the company.





# **About Network Services Company**

NETWORK is the flexible distribution solution that improves supply chain efficiency and drives business success. For corporate accounts in healthcare, industrial, commercial real estate, foodservice, printing and the public sector, NETWORK offers vital local representation, deep experience, customizable programs and best-in-class products in our core categories janitorial supplies and equipment, foodservice disposables, of packaging supplies and equipment, and printing papers. Our system blends single-source convenience with true local market presence on an international scale. Centralized account management provides greater control, while our network of distributors delivers the flexibility, accountability and category expertise. You'll call this a better way to do business. We call it Distribution by Design®.

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