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ABD Cracks Top 1,000 on Inc. Magazine's Fast-Growth Rankings

Specialty Pharmacy Also Repeats as Finalist in 'Best Places to Work'

PORTLAND, Maine, Aug. 17, 2016 — For the first time, Apothecary By Design has been ranked among the 1,000 fastest-growing private companies in the United States, business magazine Inc. announced this week.

ABD is No. 885 on the magazine's prestigious annual list of 5,000 companies, and the second-highest of eight Maine businesses that made the list. This is the third consecutive year in which ABD has appeared on the Inc. 5000 ranking, and as in 2015, the company climbed higher on it. ABD ranked No. 1,122 last year and No. 1,813 in 2014.

This year, ABD also ranked as the fourth-fastest growing specialty pharmacy on the list, and was No. 85 among health-related companies overall.

The ranking is based on revenue growth during the past three years. ABD's revenue has grown by 450 percent over that period, up to \$166.7 million for 2015. That amount is nearly three times the revenue of the next-largest ranked company in Maine.

The Inc. ranking isn't the only list ABD made this week. The company has been named a finalist

among dozens of employers vying to be named a “Best Place to Work in Maine,” according to the Maine State Council of the Society for Human Resource Management.

The annual ranking recognizes Maine companies “that have established and consistently fostered outstanding workplace environments,” according to its website, and typically draws more than 200 applicants. In 2015, ABD ranked No. 15 on the list of mid-size employers, and was No. 17 in 2014.

BPTW results are based on anonymous employee surveys and other data assembled by a private firm and endorsed by the Maine State Chamber of Commerce and the Maine Department of Labor. The rankings of the 2016 “Best Places” finalists will be announced in October.

“We’re honored that ABD is again being recognized for its success as a business and as an employer,” said Chief Financial/Human Resources Officer Catherine Cloudman. “These distinctions are a testament to the hard work of our entire team, and to the increasingly vital role our pharmacy plays in the delivery of quality health care.”

About Apothecary By Design

Apothecary By Design, a BelHealth Investment Partners portfolio company, is a rapidly growing specialty pharmacy with a high-touch service model and a focus on advocating for patients with complex, chronic diseases. Headquartered in Portland, Maine, with pharmacies there and in Chicago, ABD provides intensive case management services regionally and nationally to patients with infertility, hepatitis C, HIV, rheumatoid arthritis and other conditions. Through support, education and advocacy, ABD puts patients on a path toward better health and quality of life.

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