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Two Honors for Apothecary By Design:

Wins FAME Award, Named Maine's Fastest-Growing Large Company

PORTLAND, Maine, Nov. 13, 2015 — Apothecary By Design, an independent pharmacy, on Nov. 19 will receive the 2015 Business at Work for Maine Award from the Finance Authority of Maine.

The award comes after ABD on Nov. 10 was named the fastest-growing large company in Maine by Mainebiz, a statewide business magazine.

The Business at Work for Maine Award recognizes ABD's "commitment to patient care, innovation, and growth in Maine and the nation's healthcare industry," according to a press release from FAME, a state agency that offers financial help for Mainers pursuing business or educational opportunities.

The award will be presented at Showcase Maine, FAME's annual meeting, beginning at 4:30 p.m., at Holiday Inn by the Bay, 88 Spring St., Portland.

FAME partnered with Bangor Savings Bank to provide financing for ABD in the early stages of its growth. The company was founded in 2008.

ABD's more recent success was recognized by Mainebiz in its first-ever ranking of the

state's fastest-growing companies.

The ranking surveyed organic revenue growth of Maine-based, for-profit companies from 2012-2014. Finalists were announced last month in three categories: small companies (under 25 employees), mid-size companies (26-75 employees) and large companies (over 75 employees).

After completing 2011 with revenue of \$18.6 million, ABD's earnings grew to \$30.2 million in 2012, \$32.8 million in 2013, and \$89.8 million in 2014.

Mainebiz announced the winner in each category at a reception in Augusta, and will profile ABD in the magazine's Nov. 16 issue, according to Editor Peter Van Allen.

For the past two years, ABD also has been ranked on the prestigious Inc. 5000 list of the fastest-growing private companies in the United States.

"All of us at Apothecary By Design are grateful for the support and the recognition of FAME, and for the continued success our business is enjoying," said Chief Executive Officer Mark McAuliffe. "Most of all, we are grateful for the confidence that patients, healthcare professionals and the community have demonstrated in ABD and its mission of innovative pharmacy practice."

About Apothecary By Design

Apothecary By Design, a BelHealth Investment Partners portfolio company, is a fast-growing, independent, specialty, retail and compounding pharmacy with a high-touch service model and a focus on advocating for patients with chronic, complex diseases. Headquartered in Portland, Maine, ABD provides intensive case management services to patients locally and nationally with complex medical conditions such as infertility, HIV, hepatitis C and MS. With specialty medications typically costing \$3,000 per patient per month, ABD's staff also assists with prior insurance authorization and patient benefits, in order to optimize treatment at the lowest possible cost. Through support, education and advocacy, ABD puts patients on a path toward better health and quality of life.

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