

The refreshed brand embodies Brewer's dedication to exceeding expectations for safety, performance, versatility, and durability across its product lines. With a bold yet approachable design, the new identity represents the company's deep commitment to supporting providers and patients alike through innovative, ergonomic solutions.

Baxter announces CEO retirement and appointment of COO

Baxter International Inc. announced that José (Joe) E. Almeida, chair, president and chief executive officer (CEO), will retire from his executive roles with the company,

effective immediately. He will serve in an advisory capacity through Oct. 31, 2025.

The Baxter Board of Directors has appointed lead independent director Brent Shafer as chair and interim CEO and has initiated a search for a permanent CEO with the assistance of a leading search firm. The Board will evaluate external and internal candidates. In conjunction with his appointment, Brent Shafer is stepping down from his role as lead independent director. Baxter director Nancy Schlichting will assume the role of lead independent director.

Mr. Almeida assumed his roles at the company in January

2016, following more than three decades of distinguished contributions to the healthcare industry. Under his leadership, Baxter meaningfully evolved its strategic positioning, reorienting the company toward higher-growth end-markets. This strategic shift has most recently centered on the simplification of the business through the divestment of certain non-core assets and the implementation of a new operating model to accelerate innovation and deliver value.

During Mr. Almeida's tenure, the company has also been widely recognized as a socially responsible and sustainable business and as an employer of choice. **te**

Henry Schein Chairman and CEO Stanley M. Bergman receives National Association of Wholesaler-Distributors Dirk Van Dongen Lifetime Achievement Award



Henry Schein, Inc. announced that Stanley M. Bergman, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, received the National Association of Wholesaler-Distributors (NAW) Dirk Van Dongen Lifetime Achievement Award.

The recognition pays tribute to individuals who have continually exemplified leadership, service, and engagement with NAW and the distribution community over many years. Mr. Bergman received the award at the 2025 NAW Executive Summit Gala on January 28 in Washington, D.C.

NAW is a trade association representing the \$8.2 trillion wholesale distribution industry. More than 6 million workers are employed in the wholesale distribution industry throughout the United States, accounting for one-third of the U.S. GDP. 35,000 wholesale distribution companies operate in nearly 150,000 places of business across North America, including all 50 states.