

Abbott Named to Working Mother Magazine's 'Best Companies' List for Twelve Consecutive Years
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Abbott Also Recognized for Workplace Excellence by Hispanic Business Magazine and the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption

ABBOTT PARK, Ill., Sept. 18, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Abbott (NYSE: ABT) today was once again named one of the 100 Best Companies by *Working Mother* magazine. This is the twelfth consecutive year that Abbott has been included on the prestigious list, which recognizes companies for providing a family-friendly workplace. Additional information is in the October/November issue of *Working Mother* magazine and online at www.workingmother.com.

"We are pleased to be recognized once again for workplace leadership by *Working Mother* magazine," said Stephen Fussell, senior vice president, Human Resources, Abbott. "At Abbott, we are committed to offering innovative benefits and programs that support a diverse and inclusive workplace. This empowers our employees to succeed, and also further strengthens and sustains our growing global business."

In addition to recognition from *Working Mother* magazine, Abbott also was recently named one of the [2012 Best Companies for Diversity Practices](#) by *Hispanic Business* magazine, and one of the [2012 Best Adoption-Friendly Workplaces](#) by the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption. This is the sixth consecutive year that Abbott has been included on both lists.

Abbott provides a comprehensive offering of health care, wellness, work/life and other family-friendly benefits, as well as flexible work options such as job sharing, compressed work-weeks, telecommuting and flextime to help employees find success at work and home. Abbott also offers opportunities for employees to succeed, lead and grow in their careers through training, mentoring, tuition reimbursement, networking groups and development programs that provide support and advancement opportunities.

Abbott Widely Recognized as a Great Place to Work

In addition to being honored for workplace leadership by *Working Mother*, *Hispanic Business* and the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption, Abbott has been named to *DiversityInc* magazine's list of the top companies for diversity for nine years. The National Association for Female Executives again named Abbott among the Top 50 Companies for Executive Women in 2012, and Abbott also has been recognized as a top employer for scientists by *Science* and *The Scientist* magazines for many years. In addition, Abbott has been honored for workplace leadership in more than 25 countries around the world.

About Working Mother's 100 Best Companies List

Abbott was selected for the 2012 *Working Mother* 100 Best Companies based on an extensive application with more than 600 questions on workforce, compensation, child care, flexibility programs, leave policies and more. It also surveys the usage, availability and tracking of programs, as well as the accountability of managers who oversee them. Eight areas were measured and scored: workforce profile, benefits, women's issues and advancement, child care, flexible work, paid time off and leaves, company culture, and work/life programs.

About Working Mother Media

Working Mother Media, a division of Bonnier Corporation (bonnier.com), publishes *Working Mother* magazine and its companion website, workingmother.com, and the Working Mother Research Institute. The National Association for Female Executives (nafe.com), and Diversity Best Practices (diversitybestpractices.com) are also units within WMM. Working Mother Media's mission is to serve as a champion of culture change. *Working Mother* magazine reaches more than 2 million readers and is the only national magazine for career-committed mothers; Workingmother.com gives working mothers @home and @work advice, solutions, and ideas. This year marks the 27th anniversary of the magazine's signature research initiative, *Working Mother 100 Best Companies*, and the 10th year of the *Best Companies for Multicultural Women*.

About Abbott

Abbott is a global, broad-based health care company devoted to the discovery, development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceuticals and medical products, including nutritionals, devices and diagnostics. The company employs approximately 91,000 people and markets its products in more than 130 countries.

Abbott's news releases and other information are available on the company's website at www.abbott.com.

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