

**Walgreens Earns Best Place to Work for LGBT Equality Recognition in 2017 Corporate Equality Index**  
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*Company scores 100 percent for the 12<sup>th</sup> Year on Human Rights Campaign Foundation's 15th Annual Scorecard*

Walgreens received a perfect score of 100 percent on the 2017 Corporate Equality Index (CEI), a national benchmarking survey and report on corporate policies and practices related to LGBT workplace equality, administered by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation. This marks the 12th year Walgreens has earned a perfect score from the CEI index.

"It's an honor to be acknowledged once again by the Human Rights Campaign for our commitment to a diverse and inclusive workforce that aligns with our mission to champion everyone's right to be happy and healthy," said Stevens Sainte-Rose, chief human resources officer at Walgreens. "We recognize the importance of fostering the growth and development of all our employees. Our WPride and Allies business resource group has been especially helpful with evolving our policies and practices for more than a decade to help ensure a welcoming workplace for all."

The 2017 CEI rated 887 businesses in the report, which evaluates LGBT-related policies and practices including non-discrimination workplace protections, domestic partner benefits, transgender-inclusive health care benefits, competency programs and public engagement with the LGBT community.

Walgreens efforts satisfied all of the CEI's criteria resulting in a 100 percent ranking and the designation as a Best Place to Work for LGBT Equality. Walgreens joins the ranks of 517 major U.S. businesses which also earned top marks this year.

For more information on the 2017 Corporate Equality Index, or to download a free copy of the report, visit [www.hrc.org/cei](http://www.hrc.org/cei).

*The Human Rights Campaign Foundation is the educational arm of America's largest civil rights organization working to achieve equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual transgender and queer people. HRC envisions a world where LGBTQ people are embraced as full members of society at home, at work and in every community.*

**About Walgreens**

Walgreens ([www.walgreens.com](http://www.walgreens.com)), one of the nation's largest drugstore chains, is included in the Retail Pharmacy USA Division of Walgreens Boots Alliance, Inc. (NASDAQ: WBA), the first global pharmacy-led, health and wellbeing enterprise. More than 10 million customers interact with Walgreens each day in communities across America, using the most convenient, multichannel access to consumer goods and services and trusted, cost-effective pharmacy, health and wellness services and advice. Walgreens operates 8,175 drugstores with a presence in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Walgreens omnichannel business includes Walgreens.com and VisionDirect.com. Approximately 400 Walgreens stores offer Healthcare Clinic or other provider retail clinic services.

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