

# Connecting Career Potential and Company Leadership Earned Cardinal Health Distinction from National Association for Female Executives

## Cardinal Health named a 2017 "Top 60 Companies for Executive Women"

DUBLIN, Ohio, March 8, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Connecting career potential and company leadership, Cardinal Health was again recognized among the nation's best workplaces for female advancement as a **Top Company for Executive Women** by the National Association for Female Executives (NAFE).

"The NAFE Top 60 Companies for Executive Women are the leaders in the U.S. that have moved women into top executive positions and created a culture where talented women are nurtured, promoted and thrive," says Betty Spence, president of NAFE. "We are very proud to honor their contributions to the advancement of women in the workplace."

Cardinal Health was recognized for its work to help develop female entrepreneurs and executives both inside and outside its organization. NAFE specifically highlights the company's **employee resource groups**, access to formal mentoring, sponsorship and leadership programs, and a co-ed speakers' bureau that travels the country to promote gender partnership. NAFE also lauds the Cardinal Health Women in Pharmacy program, which supports the future of independent pharmacy by encouraging female pharmacy students to pursue entrepreneurship, ownership and community leadership positions.

"We're proud to be recognized for our efforts supporting women," said Pam Kimmet, chief human resources officer at Cardinal Health. "We have a strong focus on fostering an inclusive environment because we know it enables us to better serve our customers and their patients. Leveraging the unique skills and capabilities of each team member allows us to be more innovative and adaptable, which is so critical to our company's long-term success."

This marks the sixth consecutive year Cardinal Health was listed among the NAFE Top 60 Companies. The full list of this year's winners is available at [workingmother.com/nafe](http://workingmother.com/nafe) and featured in the February/March 2017 issue of Working Mother.

### About the Methodology

The 2017 NAFE Top Companies application includes some 200 questions on female representation at all levels, especially the corporate officer and profit-and-loss ranks. The vetting process includes tracking access and usage of programs and policies that promote the advancement of women as well as the training and accountability of managers in relation to the number of women who advance. In order to be eligible for the NAFE Top Companies survey, entrants must have a minimum of 1,000 employees, two women on the Board of Directors and be a public or private company. NAFE also separately names the Top 10 companies in the nonprofit sector.

### About NAFE

The National Association for Female Executives (NAFE), founded in 1972, serves 20,000 members nationwide with networking, tools and solutions to strengthen and grow their careers and businesses. **Working Mother** magazine publishes the annual NAFE Top Companies list. [NAFE.com](http://NAFE.com) provides up-to-date information, a community for women in business, and access to member benefits. NAFE is a division of Working Mother Media, owned by the Bonnier Corporation.

## About Cardinal Health

Cardinal Health, Inc. is a global, integrated healthcare services and products company, providing customized solutions for hospital systems, pharmacies, ambulatory surgery centers, clinical laboratories and physician offices worldwide. The company provides clinically-proven medical products and pharmaceuticals and cost-effective solutions that enhance supply chain efficiency. Cardinal Health connects patients, providers, payers, pharmacists and manufacturers for integrated care coordination and better patient management. Backed by nearly 100 years of experience, with more than 38,000 employees in nearly 60 countries, Cardinal Health ranks among the top 25 on the *Fortune* 500. For more information, visit [cardinalhealth.com](http://cardinalhealth.com), follow [@CardinalHealth](https://twitter.com/CardinalHealth) on Twitter and connect on LinkedIn at [linkedin.com/company/cardinal-health](https://linkedin.com/company/cardinal-health).

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