

IFCC, Abbott and Health Industry Leaders partners in the UNIVANTS of Healthcare Excellence Award announce the integrated clinical care teams receiving recognition from the Award programme

Milan, 16 November 2020 - The IFCC (International Federation of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine) along with **Abbott** and other six leading healthcare organizations across the globe including **AACC**, **EHMA**, **Modern Healthcare**, **HIMSS**, **NAHQ**, and **IHE**, is happy to announce the **UNIVANTS** of **Healthcare Excellence Program** 2020 winners.

Foundational principles across all winning teams include "UNIFYING" across the care continuum for the development and implementation of "AVANT-GARDE" processes with measurable differences to clinical care. The 2020 submissions included hospitals, commercial laboratories, reference laboratories, clinics and rural community care. Applications included best practices across key areas of unmet needs with representation from every region of the world, spanning both emerging and established markets. Following comprehensive judge review, the outcomes revealed 3 top winners, 9 teams of distinction, and 12 teams of achievement.

The program is made possible by eight leading healthcare organizations that have partnered together to inspire and recognize integrated clinical care teams who have achieved exceptional outcomes in healthcare. The founding program partners include the International Federation of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (IFCC), AACC, EHMA (European Health Management Association), Modern Healthcare, Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS), National Association of Healthcare Quality (NAHQ), and the Institute of Health Economics (IHE); each in partnership with Abbott Laboratories.

More details about the UNIVANTS of Healthcare Excellence program or 2020 best practices can be found on the program website at www.UnivantsHCE.com or follow on social media, including #UNIVANTS on LinkedIn. The success stories are especially meaningful in 2020 during unprecedented times for patients, communities and healthcare professionals. They are definitive proof that there is a core of vital partnerships and healthcare providers that work together and accomplish better patient care. It is with great honour that we congratulate all participating teams while celebrating strategic activation and insights from clinical and laboratory medicine to achieve measurably better outcomes for patients, payors, clinicians and health systems. More details associated with each of the winning teams are available at: UnivantsHCE.com.