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### **Promoting Healthcare Excellence –** will you be a winner of a UNIVANTS of Healthcare Excellence award?

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The UNIVANTS of Healthcare Excellence programme is a global and prestigious recognition and award forum that was created by Abbott in partnership with leading healthcare organisations to inspire and foster healthcare excellence across the world. UNIVANTS recognises and celebrates multidisciplinary teams that, with their exemplary work, transform clinical care through measurably better healthcare performance.

Annual awards are designed to promote healthcare excellence, where Laboratory Medicine has had a substantial and measurable input that improves patient care and clinical service delivery in innovative ways. Winning initiatives are given opportunities to highlight their success internationally and inspire others to adopt best practices around the globe.

## Why is the ACB promoting this programme?

UNIVANTS aligns with the ACB mission to raise the profile of Laboratory Medicine and to promote and highlight best clinical practice. The programme is supported by distinguished partners across the globe including leading professional societies, institutions and associations.



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The ACB believes that Laboratory Medicine professionals are in a position to lead and contribute to strategic integrated clinical care initiatives that drive measurably better healthcare. We know that there is an enormous amount of such work occurring, led by ACB members, and we want to celebrate and promote this. This is an opportunity to celebrate the successes of winners and share their stories and also to inspire our ACB members to apply for recognition.

The programme has reached millions of healthcare professionals across 159 countries to date with over 325 media articles promoting the programme or recognising the award winning practices.

#### Who can apply for UNIVANTS of Healthcare Excellence recognition?

This prestigious award is open to all healthcare teams and professionals. If your team has comprised members from at least three different disciplines including Laboratory Medicine and you have been part of an integrated team that has advanced care in clinical practice, you should submit an application for this award.

#### How to apply

Applications are submitted online and if they meet minimal requirements, they will advance to judge review.

All programme partners (excluding Abbott) play a role in the scoring process, with 3 top winning teams each award cycle. All Clinical Care Initiatives must meet the minimum requirements for application submission:

- **1.** The clinical care initiative must be implemented into clinical practice.
- 2. The clinical care initiative must include at least three disciplines (including Laboratory Medicine).
- **3.** There must be at least one measurable impact or Key Performance Indicator (KPI) associated with each of the four stakeholders: patients, clinicians, health systems, and budget holders.
- **4.** Impact is assessed with at least two quantitative metrics that support the improved healthcare performance within the application, and no more than four qualitative metrics.

See www.univantshce.com for more information.

#### When

Application cycle opens: 1<sup>st</sup> August 2021 and closes 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021 Winners announced: Summer 2022