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Benefit Commerce Group Has 14 Clients in Top 10 Healthiest Employers Awards; Total of 22 Awards

Scottsdale, AZ, May 3, 2018 – Benefit Commerce Group, an Inc. 5000 Scottsdale-based results-driven employee benefits consulting firm, announced that 14 of its clients and Benefit Commerce Group itself received Top 10 awards in the Phoenix Business Journal’s 2018 Healthiest Employers program. Seven other clients also were honored as Healthiest Employers.

Benefit Commerce Group and its clients accounted for 30 percent of the awards presented today, including almost half of those recognized in categories with up to 499 employees.

“We are very proud of the effort and results our clients have achieved to promote and improve health and wellness among their employees!” said Scott Wood, Principal and CEO of Benefit Commerce Group. “I am equally proud of the recognition of our own firm’s successes. We believe it is very important to consult on benefit programs that help employees and their families improve their health, but also to walk the walk along with our clients for our own employees.”

“A 50 percent increase in the number of our clients who have been recognized as Healthiest Employers—that’s a tremendous testament to the hard work and engagement of these organizations!” said Johnny Angelone, Principal of Benefit Commerce Group.

Chris Hogan, President of Benefit Commerce Group, added, “It all comes down to implementing strategies that are really focused on improving the health and welfare of employees and their families. Our clients, many of them recognized today, really strive to make a difference in those lives throughout the entire year. We applaud their success and their dedication.”

Benefit Commerce Group clients honored with Healthiest Employers Top 10 rankings include:

- Desert Mountain Club ranked #1 in its category.
- The Country Club at DC Ranch moved up from #5 last year to #2 in its category this year.
- Infinity Trading and Solutions (ITS) ranked #2, moving up from its #3 ranking for the past three years.
- Nextiva (UnitedWeb) moved up 6 places to #3 ranking this year.
- Stotz Equipment had the largest increase in ranking, jumping to #4 from #14 last year.
- Passport Health, new to Healthiest Employers this year, ranked #4.
- Make-a-Wish Foundation, also new to Healthiest Employers this year, ranked #5.
- State Bar of Arizona moved up to #6 ranking from #8 last year.
- Beatrice Keller Clinic moved up to #6 in its category, from #10 last year.
- Air Transport Components, new to this awards program this year, ranked #7.
- Master Electronics moved into the Top 10 rankings this year as #8, compared to #11 ranking last year
- Column5 Consulting ranked #9 this year, up from #13.
- OH Partners, new to the program, ranked #10.
- VMI, also new to Healthiest Employers this year, ranked #10 in its category.

Other award-winning clients of Benefit Commerce Group, including several that are new to the Healthiest Employers program this year, include:

- Daisy Mountain Fire District jumped to #11 from last year's #17 ranking.
- Ensemble Real Estate, also new to the rankings was #11 in its category.
- Naumann/Hobbs Material Handling ranked #12.
- A to Z Equipment Rentals, new to the program this year, ranked #13
- Davis Miles McGuire Gardner ranked #15.

--EBCO/La-Z-Boy Furniture, also new to Healthiest Employers, ranked #18.

--SiteLock, new to the program, ranked #24.

Benefit Commerce Group itself ranked #5 this year, a jump from #15 in 2017.

The Healthiest Employers program spotlights and recognizes area employers who have succeeded with extraordinary health and wellness programs for their employees.

Companies are judged in six categories: culture and leadership commitment, foundational components, strategic planning, marketing and communications, programming and interventions, and reporting and analytics.

ABOUT Benefit Commerce Group

Benefit Commerce Group is a progressive and results-driven employee benefits consulting firm that is changing the health care cost paradigm, one company at a time, and making life easier and better for HR teams. Benefit Commerce helps companies striving to control one of their highest expense items: employee benefits costs. We provide employers with sustainable strategies to lower health plan costs first-year and long-term. We are not your typical benefits firm, and we are not offering typical cost-shifting techniques. Our strategies yield real savings for both employer and employee and also integrate meaningful consumer-focused employee health and wellness programs. Our technology enhancements also set us apart, as we offer methods to streamline HR functions from enrollment through ongoing employee communication and administration. Through our proven programs, Benefit Commerce Group has helped our clients receive recognition from the Phoenix Business Journal's "Healthiest Employers" program, the Wellness Council of Arizona and The Institute for HealthCare Consumerism. Clients have received over 120 awards in the past four years. The company conducts an annual Arizona Employee Benefits Benchmarking survey for mid-size employers across the state. The success of our strategies is illustrated by our Inc. 5000 listing each year since 2015, a three-time honoree among the fastest-growing private companies in America. Principals of the firm include Scott Wood, Johnny Angelone and Chris Hogan. For more information on Benefit Commerce Group, call us at 480-515-5010 or visit our website <https://benefitcommerce.com/>.

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