



## MEDIA ADVISORY

### **19<sup>th</sup> Annual Kenneth B. Schwartz Compassionate Healthcare Dinner Celebrates the Beginning of the Schwartz Center's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year**

*2014 Schwartz Center Compassionate Caregiver Award® recipient and finalists to be honored at Schwartz Center event before 2,000 attendees*

- WHAT:** The Schwartz Center for Compassionate Healthcare will host its **19<sup>th</sup> Annual Kenneth B. Schwartz Compassionate Healthcare Dinner**, with guests including more than 2,000 leaders from hospitals, health plans, and health-related associations, as well as members of the biotech, pharmaceutical and medical device industries.
- WHY:** The **2014 dinner will mark the beginning of the Schwartz Center's 20<sup>th</sup> year** of bringing together patients, caregivers, policymakers, educators and researchers to make compassionate care a national healthcare priority. The dinner will also honor this year's Compassionate Caregiver Award® recipient and finalists, who exemplify extraordinary compassion in caring for patients and families.
- WHEN:** **Thursday, Nov. 20, 2014 at 5 p.m. ET**
- WHERE:** **Boston Convention & Exhibition Center  
415 Summer St., Boston, MA 02210**
- PROGRAM:** The dinner and formal program will begin at 7 p.m. ET with speakers and videos featuring poignant patient and caregiver stories. The speakers are **Tom Lynch, MD**, Director, Yale Cancer Center, Physician-in-Chief, Smilow Cancer Hospital at Yale-New Haven and Schwartz Center Board; **Lynn Wiatrowski**, Executive Vice President, Bank of America Merrill Lynch and Schwartz Center Board Chair; **Julie Rosen**, Executive Director, Schwartz Center; **John Fernandez**, President & CEO, Massachusetts Eye and Ear and Schwartz Center Dinner Chair; **Sharon McNally**, Chief of Staff, Connors Family Office, Schwartz Center Board and Leadership Council, and Dinner Chair; **Robert G. Urban, PhD**, Head, Johnson & Johnson Innovation, Boston and Schwartz Center Dinner Chair; and **Kimberly A. Smith**, Managing Director, Witt/Kieffer and Schwartz Center Dinner Chair.

Compassionate Caregiver Award finalists who will be honored at the dinner include: **Scot Bateman, MD**, Director of the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at UMass Memorial Children's Medical Center in Worcester, Massachusetts; **Cranberry Hospice & Palliative Care Team** at Beth Israel Deaconess-Plymouth in Plymouth, Massachusetts; **Deborah Ferretti, MS, APRN**, nurse practitioner on the Wolfson Palliative Care Team at The Hospital of Central Connecticut in New Britain, Connecticut; **Thea James, MD**, an emergency medicine physician at Boston Medical Center in Boston, Massachusetts; and **Kathryn Pratt, RN, BSN**, nurse coordinator, Smilow Cancer Hospital at Yale-New Haven in New Haven, Connecticut.

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