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BAXTER NAMED TO 2019 DOW JONES SUSTAINABILITY INDICES

As the DJSI World Index celebrates its 20th anniversary, Baxter is proud of recognition as a responsible corporate citizen every year since its inception

DEERFIELD, III., SEPTEMBER 16, 2019 – Baxter International Inc. (NYSE:BAX), a leading global medical products company, announced today it has again been named to the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI)—the DJSI World and DJSI North America—designations Baxter has received annually since the indices were launched in 1999 and 2005, respectively. Demonstrating a continued focus on its sustainability efforts, Baxter scored in the top five percent of companies assessed within the health care equipment and supplies industry, with leading performance in environmental reporting, strategy to improve access to drugs or products, marketing practices and policy influence.

“We are in the business of saving and sustaining lives—a mission that extends beyond the products and therapies we offer to how we operate as a corporate citizen around the world,” said José (Joe) E. Almeida, chairman and chief executive officer. “Our progress across the environmental, social and governance dimensions of our work directly reflects the commitment of our 50,000 Baxter colleagues, who are passionate about making a meaningful difference for our patients and broader stakeholder communities.”

Baxter’s corporate responsibility strategy continues to drive more sustainable operations, enhance product quality, build healthy communities, foster a strong work environment and improve access to healthcare. In June, the company published its [2018 Corporate Responsibility Report](#), which highlights accelerated progress toward a number of Baxter’s 2020 Corporate Responsibility priorities and goals.



The DJSI Indices measure the performance of leading sustainability-driven companies on economic, environmental and social efforts, enabling investors to integrate sustainability considerations in their portfolios. In an ongoing effort towards greater transparency, the DJSI World was the first global index to track leading companies on their sustainability accomplishments based on RobecoSAM's analysis of financially relevant Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) factors and the S&P Dow Jones Indices' robust index methodology. In 2005, the DJSI North America was launched to track the performance of the region's most sustainable companies; the top 20 percent of the largest 600 companies in the S&P Global BMI are selected. For more information about the DJSI family, visit <http://www.sustainability-indices.com>.

Corporate Responsibility at Baxter: Making a Meaningful Difference Worldwide

Responsible corporate citizenship advances Baxter's aspirations as a healthcare leader, sparks innovation globally and reinforces the dedication of our employees to doing business the right way. We continue to make progress towards our [2020 Corporate Responsibility priorities and goals](#), which span from reducing our environmental footprint and driving sustainability through our global manufacturing operations, to nurturing a best place to work and addressing healthcare needs within underserved communities. We have been honored for our efforts as an employer of choice and a socially responsible and sustainable business, and are privileged to be included on various lists such as *Corporate Responsibility Magazine's* 100 Best Corporate Citizens, the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices, and the FTSE4Good Index, among numerous other regional and country-specific recognitions across the globe. Learn more about Baxter's corporate responsibility initiatives [here](#).

About Baxter

Every day, millions of patients and caregivers rely on Baxter's leading portfolio of critical care, nutrition, renal, hospital and surgical products. For more than 85 years, we've been operating at the critical intersection where innovations that save and sustain lives meet the healthcare providers that make it happen. With products, technologies and therapies available in more than 100 countries, Baxter's employees worldwide are now building upon the company's rich heritage of medical breakthroughs to advance the next generation of transformative healthcare innovations. To learn more, visit www.baxter.com and follow us on [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Facebook](#).

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