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**Canada's Emerging Healthcare Leaders Honoured at
National Health Leadership Conference**

Six Up and Coming Health Leaders Receive Prestigious Robert Wood Johnson Award

Markham, ON – June 17, 2015 – Earlier this week, six of Canada's top emerging healthcare professionals were awarded the Robert Wood Johnson Award at a special ceremony hosted by the Canadian College of Health Leaders (CCHL) and the Canadian Healthcare Association (CHA) at the P.E.I. Convention Centre in Charlottetown, P.E.I. The award recognizes individual achievement and promising contributions in the field of health services management. Since its inception in 1956, the Award has been presented to more than 290 Canadian healthcare professionals.

"The Robert Wood Johnson Award recipients illustrate leadership at its finest. They demonstrate the impact that one person, or one team, can have within their organization and beyond," said Ray Racette, President and Chief Executive Officer of the CCHL.

The Robert Wood Johnson Award is supported by Johnson & Johnson Medical Companies in partnership with six leading Canadian universities, which offer a Masters program in Health Care Administration, including: the Université de Montréal, Dalhousie University, University of Ottawa, University of British Columbia, University of Alberta and University of Toronto.

Robert Wood Johnson was one of three brothers who founded Johnson & Johnson in New Brunswick, New Jersey in 1886. Today it is the world's largest diversified healthcare company whose products touch more than 1 billion people every day.

The recipients of this award have demonstrated their passion, commitment and positive contributions in complex continuing care management and/or policy. The 2015 recipients are:

- Flaviana Mouawad – Université de Montréal
- Kate Mercier – Dalhousie University
- Rachel Ozer – University of Ottawa
- Paul Johar – University of British Columbia
- Sandra Rees – University of Alberta
- Alexis Villa – University of Toronto



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“Johnson & Johnson Medical Companies is privileged to continue supporting a new slate of emerging thought leaders. These inspiring individuals have already made significant contributions to our healthcare system,” said Dave Duerr, Vice-President of Corporate Accounts and Partnership Excellence at Johnson & Johnson Medical Companies. “We look forward to watching the impact they’ll have in the years to come.”

The award ceremony occurred in conjunction with the annual National Health Leadership Conference, which was co-hosted by the CCHL and the CHA.

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About Canadian College of Health Leaders

The Canadian College of Health Leaders is a national, member-driven, non-profit association dedicated to ensuring that the country’s health system benefits from capable, competent and effective leadership. With 21 chapters across the country, representing thousands of individual and corporate members, the College offers capabilities-based credentialing, professional development opportunities, and an extensive career network.

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