



## Premier, Inc. Partners with EyeProGPO to Enhance Ophthalmology Offerings

*Both organizations' members now have expanded access to purchase vital medical products through the respective GPO portfolios.*

**CHARLOTTE, N.C., April 5, 2024**—Premier, Inc. (NASDAQ: PINC), a leading healthcare improvement and technology company, has entered into a strategic partnership with EyeProGPO, a leading ophthalmology-focused group purchasing organization (GPO) to offer ambulatory surgery centers (ASCs) and physician offices within Premier's membership access to EPG's robust portfolio of ophthalmology and surgical physician preference items (PPI.) In addition, EyeProGPO members gain access to hundreds of suppliers and thousands of high-quality products through Premier's expansive GPO portfolio.

There is a growing trend in procedures performed and services delivered in outpatient facilities and ASCs. Traditionally, these continuum of care (CoC) facilities have been challenged in affordably accessing specific physician preference items used to perform ophthalmology procedures. This new partnership and Premier's expanded offerings help fill this gap, enabling access to high-quality products in continuum of care settings where patients receive treatment.

EyeProGPO provides organizations with a broad range of specialty solutions to choose what best aligns with their individual practice needs. With strong ophthalmology partnerships spanning more than 30+ suppliers and serving over 1000 members, EyeProGPO's members see average savings of 12-20 percent on PPI supply costs.

“This partnership builds on Premier's successful [platform serving the CoC market](#) – providing innovative services and solutions that meet CoC providers' unique needs,” said Mitch Steiner, Group Vice President of Continuum of Care Programs at Premier. “With EyeProGPO, we're expanding GPO offerings across both organizations and providing access to vital supplies that have historically been a challenge for outpatient and ASC facilities to obtain through a group purchasing organization.”

“EyeProGPO is a great fit for Premier. We are steadfast in our commitment to offer our members unrivaled value and savings. Through this new partnership, we're ensuring that Premier members also have expanded access to the best ophthalmology products on the market. We believe our combined strengths will increase value for healthcare providers across the nation.” says Phil Meyer, COO, EyeProGPO.

This partnership brings opportunities for members to purchase products including pharmaceuticals, intraocular lenses, capital equipment, surgical instruments, laser systems and more, and benefit from tapping into EyeProGPO's professional advisory services.

This announcement comes on the heels of several other recent accomplishments for Premier's CoC program, including the addition of Premier SmartPO<sup>®</sup> a digital supply chain procurement and inventory management technology that enables supply chain resiliency, savings opportunities and quality patient care across the care continuum. Through new technology offerings, access to GPO solutions, advocacy efforts and more, Premier remains committed to optimizing the healthcare delivery system for all – benefiting providers and patients across the CoC.

The financial terms of this strategic partnership were not disclosed.

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**About EyeProGPO**

EyeProGPO is a pioneering ophthalmology-focused group purchasing organization committed to assisting healthcare providers and ASCs in realizing significant cost savings and improved workflow efficiencies. By leveraging the power of aggregated membership purchasing volume, EyeProGPO negotiates unmatched discounts with top manufacturers, distributors, and vendors. With top Surgeon members from around the US and a commitment to excellence and member satisfaction, EyeProGPO remains at the forefront of offering value-driven solutions to the healthcare industry.

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