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Inogen One Granted Medical Design Excellence Award

SANTA BARBARA, CA – The Inogen One Oxygen Concentrator has been selected as a recipient of the Medical Design Excellence Awards as a groundbreaking innovation changing the face of health care. The Medical Design Excellence Awards competition is the only awards program that exclusively recognizes contributions and advances in the design of medical products.

The Inogen One, developed by Goleta, California based Inogen, Inc. is used during the treatment of respiratory diseases requiring supplemental oxygen. Replacing traditional bulky stationary oxygen concentrators or cylinders, at less than 10 pounds, the Inogen One provides oxygen to its users at home, around their community, and even while traveling. "The award certainly gives the Inogen team reward and satisfaction knowing it's not only the patients using the Inogen One, but that our peers recognize the innovation in the device" said Geoff Deane, Inogen Chief Technology Officer and Vice President of Engineering.

Entries in the Medical Design Excellence Awards are evaluated on the basis of their design and engineering features, including innovative use of materials, user-related functions that improve healthcare delivery and change traditional medical attitudes or practices, features that provide enhanced benefits to the patient, and the ability of the product development team to overcome design and engineering challenges so the product meets its clinical objectives. A comprehensive review of the entries was performed by an impartial, multidisciplinary panel of third-party jurors with expertise in biomedical engineering, human factors, industrial design, medicine and diagnostics.

Becoming widely adopted since the Federal Aviation Administration announced passengers may use certain portable oxygen concentrators onboard commercial flights in July 2005, the Inogen One is a favorite among oxygen users. "The Inogen One has given me the ability to live my life freely and independently." said Valerie Andree, an Inogen One user who travels frequently with the device. "Traveling is now more than a wish. Nothing compares to the freedom I now have with my Inogen One."

The 2006 Medical Design Excellence Award winners will be honored at a June 7 ceremony during the Medical Design & Manufacturing East Conference and Exposition in New York City's Javits Convention Center.

Inogen is innovation in oxygen therapy. With a team of known leaders in the provider industry, deep experience in medical devices, talented engineers and associates each committed to revolutionizing oxygen therapy, our vision is to develop innovative, cost effective respiratory home healthcare equipment that improves quality of life for patients and bottom line profits for providers. And we are proud to introduce our first commitment to that vision: The Inogen One.

One Solution: The single solution for home and away, for today and tomorrow, for patients and provider.

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