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AUDAX GROUP ANNOUNCES THE ACOUISITION OF

GREAT EXPRESSIONS DENTAL CENTERS

BOSTON, MA — Audax Group announced it has completed the acquisition of Great Expressions Dental Centers

("GEDC") from Dr. Walter Knysz, who founded the company in 1982. Headquartered in Bloomfield Hills,

Michigan, with 98 affiliated practices in Michigan, Georgia, Florida, Massachusetts, Ohio, Virginia and

Connecticut, GEDC is a dental practice management company providing services to professional corporations

in general and specialty services including endodontics, orthodontics, oral surgery, pedodontics, and

periodontics. Richard Beckman, Chief Executive Officer of GEDC, will continue to lead the management team

along with Dr. Walter Knysz, Chairman of GEDC.

Geoffrey S. Rehnert, Co-CEO of Audax Group, said "GEDC is a scale player in a fragmented industry with

exceptional patient and employee satisfaction. We look forward to working with Richard and his team to grow the

business by sharing best practices across the company and executing strategic add-on acquisitions."

Richard Beckman, Chief Executive Officer of GEDC, said "We are excited to be working with Audax Group.

Their experience sourcing and integrating add-on acquisitions will be a valuable asset for us as we continue to

grow our company."

Ropes & Gray LLP advised Audax Group. Provident Healthcare Partners, LLC advised GEDC. GMAC

Commercial Finance provided debt financing to support the transaction.

About Audax Group

Audax Group, founded in 1999, is a leading investor in middle market companies. With offices in Boston and

New York, Audax manages in excess of \$4 billion of equity, mezzanine debt, and senior loan capital. For more

information visit the Audax Group website <u>www.audaxgroup.com</u>

About Provident Healthcare Partners, LLC

Provident Healthcare Partners, LLC is a Boston-based investment banking firm specializing in the healthcare

industry. The firm is comprised of senior-level healthcare and corporate finance professionals with in-depth

knowledge and extensive transaction experience in all healthcare fields. The firm has successfully completed

merger and acquisition transactions with companies operating in all sectors of the healthcare industry.

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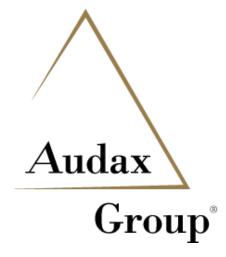
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The undersigned initiated and structured this transaction, conducted the negotiations, and acted as exclusive financial advisor to Great Expressions Dental Centers, Inc.



Boston, Massachusetts