## Healthsouth Corporation Joins Russell 3000(R) Index

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HealthSouth Corporation has joined the broad-market Russell 3000(R) Index according to the final list posted today on <a href="http://www.russell.com/">http://www.russell.com/</a>. Membership in the Russell 3000, which remains in place for one year, means automatic inclusion in the large-cap Russell 1000(R) Index or small-cap Russell 2000(R) as well as the appropriate growth and value style indexes. Russell determines membership for its equity indexes primarily by objective, market- capitalization rankings and style attributes.

"We are very pleased to be included in the Russell 3000(R) Index," said HealthSouth President and CEO Jay Grinney. "We are the largest pure-play provider in the inpatient rehabilitation industry and our inclusion in this Index will help broaden our visibility with the investment community as we focus on our long-term goal of increasing shareholder value."

The Russell 3000 serves as the U.S. component to the Russell Global Index, which Russell launched earlier this year. Russell indexes are widely used by investment managers and institutional investors for index funds and as benchmarks for both passive and active investment strategies. An industry- leading \$4 trillion in assets currently are benchmarked to them.

Annual reconstitution of Russell's U.S. indexes captures the 4,000 largest U.S. stocks as of the end of May, ranking them by total market capitalization. The largest 1,000 companies in this ranking comprise the Russell 1000 and the next 2,000 companies become the Russell 2000. These investment tools originated from Russell's multi-manager investment business in the early 1980s when the company saw the need for a more objective, market-driven set of benchmarks in order to evaluate outside investment managers.

## About HealthSouth

HealthSouth is the nation's largest provider of inpatient rehabilitation services. Operating in 27 states across the country and in Puerto Rico, HealthSouth serves more than 250,000 patients annually through its network of inpatient rehabilitation hospitals, long-term acute-care hospitals, outpatient rehabilitation satellites, and home health agencies. HealthSouth strives to be the health care company of choice for its patients, employees, physicians and shareholders and can be found on the Web at <a href="http://www.healthsouth.com/">http://www.healthsouth.com/</a>.

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