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## HealthEquity CEO and Founder Dr. Stephen D. Neeleman awarded Ernst & Young Entrepreneur Of The Year® 2013

**Salt Lake City,** June 21, 2013 – At an awards gala held last night, Dr. Stephen D. Neeleman, Founder and CEO of HealthEquity, was named Ernst & Young Entrepreneur Of The Year® for 2013. The award recognizes outstanding entrepreneurs who demonstrate excellence and extraordinary success in such areas as innovation, financial performance and personal commitment to their businesses and communities.

Dr. Neeleman, a graduate of the University of Arizona Medical School and a practicing surgeon with the Intermountain Healthcare system, has worked tirelessly to improve healthcare through patient empowerment. In 2003, he lobbied in Washington DC for the passage of health savings accounts (HSAs) as part of the Medicare Modernization Act. Dr. Neeleman met with members of the US Congress and Senate, fighting for the passage of the law to include HSAs. HSAs became available to Americans on January 1, 2005, and in February, 2006, HealthEquity was approved by the IRS to be the first legal trustee of HSAs. HealthEquity has grown steadily since that time and today serves more than 800,000 health care accounts with over \$1.2 billion in deposits.

"Steve is a brilliant businessman with a vision borne of his experience as a caregiver. His passion inspires everyone at the company to deliver outstanding service to our members and partners," said Jon Kessler, Chairman of the Board of HealthEquity.

Last night's award was for the Utah division in the health care products and services category. Dr. Neeleman will now move on to compete at a national level for the award. National winners, as well as the National Ernst & Young Entrepreneur Of The Year Overall Award winner, will be announced at the annual awards gala in Palm Springs, California, on November 16, 2013.

## **About HealthEquity**

Founded in 2002, HealthEquity is the nation's oldest and largest dedicated health savings trustee. Through efficient administration and innovative technology, the company helps members build health care savings while controlling premium costs. HealthEquity works with more than 60 health plan partners and services more than 800,000 health care accounts for employees at more than 23,000 companies across the United States. To learn more visit www.HealthEquity.com or call 1-866-346-5800.