

TEAM SCHEIN ENGAGEMENT



“Scheining Chef”

Team Schein Members Host Cooking Competition to Feed Families Staying at Ronald McDonald House Auckland

Just like any good neighbor, Henry Schein New Zealand, also known as Henry Schein Shalfoon, is ready to serve its community. Last year, Henry Schein Dental Team Schein Members teamed up in the kitchen to prepare dinner for those at Ronald McDonald House Auckland (RMHA), a “home away from home” for families of children staying at the nearby Starship Children’s Hospital in Auckland. The experience was so rewarding that the team decided to expand the work — and this time, with customers.

In 2014, the Henry Schein Dental team held a cooking challenge at RMHA called “Scheining Chef,” a team-based cooking competition in the style of the New Zealand TV show, MasterChef, with dental customers serving as the contestants. Judging the dishes were Vanessa Baxter, a MasterChef finalist herself; Wayne Howett, CEO of RMHA; and Lora Emig, member of Heritage Hotel Auckland, another RMHA corporate sponsor.

Although the team with the best dish received a plaque for their dental office, all participants helped feed those staying at RMHA. “I am so impressed with the commitment, resolve, and focus of Team Schein Members who volunteered at Ronald McDonald House Auckland,” said Vaughan Nankivell, Marketing Manager, Henry Schein Shalfoon. “They say charity begins at home, and this local Henry Schein Cares initiative exemplifies just that.”

Two Team Schein Members Help Save a Life

Dana, an El Salvadoran infant, needed immediate heart surgery. Melissa Deitz and Wendy Klein, Team Schein Members from Henry Schein Medical, were informed of the situation through an e-mail from Gift of Life Los Angeles, a non-profit organization dedicated to saving the lives of children around the world with congenital heart disease. The organization needed a monitoring device and heart medication no longer available in El Salvador. With support from members of Henry Schein’s Medical Sales Support team in Reno, NV, Melissa and Wendy quickly went to work, coordinating

the effort to secure an overnight shipment of life-saving supplies. As a result of the efficient teamwork, Gift of Life was able to travel to El Salvador within 48 hours of receiving the products and save Dana’s life.

“Thanks to Henry Schein’s efforts we were able to get Dana the medicine she needed just in time. She is now recovering and on her way home.”

—Rob Raylman,
Executive Director, Gift of Life International