

LOCAL CULINARY COMPETITION SHOWCASES OUTSTANDING CUISINE IN HEALTHCARE FOODSERVICE

MEDIA ALERT

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Norman Van Aken and Paula DaSilva to Judge “Iron Chef for Hospitals”

Louisville, KY (June 5, 2012) – Top culinary professionals from the healthcare industry will compete in the Association for Healthcare Foodservice (AHF) 2012 Culinary Competition held in conjunction with its annual conference in Miami, Florida. Five competing teams will demonstrate exceptional culinary talent and creativity within healthcare facilities.

WHAT: AHF Culinary Competition

- Five teams will face-off in a timed cooking competition. Finalists and dishes can be viewed here at <http://healthcarefoodservice.org/pr051012>.
- Chefs will have 75 minutes to prepare, cook, and present the entrée and sides
- Winning dish must fit within stated nutritional guidelines and cost under \$7 to produce
- Teams and their dishes will be judged on organization, culinary skills, taste and presentation
- Top three winners will be awarded prizes by Culinary Competition sponsor Tyson Food Service
- Leading chefs from South Florida and around the country, including Norman Van Aken and Paula DaSilva will judge the competition. More info on judges can be found at <http://healthcarefoodservice.org/2012CCJudges>.

WHEN: Thursday, June 21, 2012, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.

WHERE: Doral Golf Resort & Spa
4400 NW 87th Ave
Miami, FL 33178

WHO: AHF Annual Conference attendees and the media are invited to attend the Culinary Competition and to sample the dishes.

“AHF’s Culinary Competition is *Iron Chef* for hospitals,” says AHF Executive Vice President Billye Potts. “These dishes represent the future of food in healthcare: vibrant, healthful, inspiring... all of the things that you would expect from fine dining.”

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The Association for Healthcare Foodservice (AHF) is the national professional association dedicated to advancing self-operated healthcare foodservice as industry best practice. AHF develops healthcare foodservice professionals, assuring food and nutrition services are valued as an essential contributor to the healthcare organization's mission. For more information, please visit: www.healthcarefoodservice.org.