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Delta Dental Recognized as One of the 2011 *Best Places to Work in Virginia*

Roanoke, Va. (January 5, 2011) Delta Dental of Virginia was recently named to the inaugural list of the 2011 *Best Places to Work in Virginia*. The award was developed through a unique partnership between the Virginia Chamber of Commerce, *Virginia Business* magazine, the Virginia Society for Human Resource Management and the Best Companies Group.

The survey and award program was designed by the partners to identify, recognize and honor the best places of employment in Virginia, benefiting the state's economy, its work force and businesses. The list is made up of a total of 50 companies, split into small, mid-sized and large employers. Delta Dental was recognized in the mid-sized employer category.

Organizations from across the state entered the two-part survey process to determine the *Best Places to Work in Virginia*. The first part consisted of evaluating each nominated company's workplace policies, practices, philosophy, systems and demographics. The second part consisted of an employee survey to measure the employee experience. The combined scores determined the top organizations and the final ranking. Best Companies Group managed the overall registration, survey and analysis process and determined the final rankings.

“We think being named one of the top places to work in Virginia is a reflection of the Delta Dental of Virginia culture: to be the best customer-focused company we can be, providing superior service, while fostering teamwork, dedication and a positive work environment for our employees,” said George Levicki, DDS, president and CEO, Delta Dental of Virginia.

The ranking of the first annual Best Places to Work in Virginia will be published in the *Virginia Business* February 2011 issue. For more information on the *Best Places to Work in Virginia* program, visit www.BestPlacesToWorkVA.com.

About Delta Dental of Virginia

Delta Dental of Virginia, headquartered in Roanoke, was created in 1964 as a not-for-profit service corporation. Delta Dental provides employee dental benefits through a variety of managed fee-for-service and PPO plans covering more than 1.6 million enrollees in more than 3,600 groups. Delta Dental of Virginia is a member company of the Delta Dental Plans Association, the nation's largest, most experienced dental benefits carrier providing dental coverage to more than 54 million people in more than 93,000 groups across the nation.

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