

## **Choice Hotels Named One of the "Best Places to Work for People with Disabilities"**

ROCKVILLE, Md., July 9, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- [Choice Hotels International, Inc.](#) (NYSE: CHH), one of the world's largest hotel companies, earned the recognition of "Best Places to Work for People with Disabilities" by receiving a top score in the 2018 Disability Equality Index. The accolade was determined by the United States Business Leadership Network (USBLN) and American Association of People with Disabilities (AAPD).

The Disability Equality Index (DEI) is a national, annual benchmarking survey that scores companies on a 100-point scale for their disability inclusion policies and practices. Recognition is reserved for businesses that have scored 80 or above on the DEI. This year, Choice Hotels is the only lodging company to earn this distinction.

"This designation as a "Best Places to Work for People with Disabilities" builds upon previous accolades Choice Hotels has received for its exceptional corporate culture and reflects our ongoing commitment to ensuring all our associates feel welcome, wanted, and respected," said Patrick Cimerola, chief human resources officer, Choice Hotels. "Our employee resource group ENABLE has been especially helpful in achieving this recognition by evolving policies and practices that align with our mission to create an inclusive work environment."

Choice Hotels supports nine different employee resource groups designed to facilitate engagement among associates and help shape the company's culture and business objectives, including ENABLE, an organization created to increase awareness, access and advocacy for people with disabilities at Choice.

### **About Choice Hotels**

Choice Hotels International, Inc. (NYSE: CHH) is one of the world's largest hotel companies. With over 6,800 hotels franchised in more than 40 countries and territories, Choice Hotels International represents more than 550,000 rooms around the globe and as of March 31, 2018, there are more than 900 hotels were in our development pipeline. Our company's Ascend Hotel Collection®, Cambria® Hotels, Comfort Inn®, Comfort Suites®, Sleep Inn®, Quality®, Clarion®, MainStay Suites®, Suburban Extended Stay Hotel®, WoodSpring Suites®, Econo Lodge®, Rodeway Inn®, and Vacation Rentals by Choice Hotels® brands provide a spectrum of lodging choices to meet guests' needs. With more than 36 million members, our Choice Privileges® rewards program enhances every trip a guest takes, with benefits ranging from every day rewards to exceptional experiences, starting right when they join. All hotels and vacation rentals are independently owned and operated. Visit us at [www.choicehotels.com](http://www.choicehotels.com) for more information.

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