Advancing Our Mission

A message from Mylan’s CEO

Everyone deserves the opportunity to live a healthy life. All too often, however, circumstances largely beyond an individual’s control, such as geography, ethnicity, economic status and gender, affect the ability to achieve positive health outcomes.

That’s why Mylan’s long tradition of breaking through barriers and pushing boundaries to identify solutions for unmet needs is as important as ever. Our strategy, which is centered around our mission to improve access to medicine, dictates that we continuously work to strengthen and adapt our business model to benefit the patients and communities we serve today as well as those we envision helping in the future. We believe the greatest potential for serving all stakeholders comes from focusing on not just the short-term aspects but also the long-term impact of models that are built around sustainability for all concerned.

In 2018, we continued our efforts by bringing new or improved products and solutions to patient populations around the globe. We also remained engaged with policy leaders in every region on matters related to increasing patient access and choice.

Providing access to medicine means a lot of different things to a lot of different people, especially when it comes to reaching low- and middle-income countries. Our definition of access is making sure the medicine we make is actually getting into the hands of patients in the more than 165 countries and territories we serve. We believe it’s important for this perspective to have a seat at the table whenever reach and impact are being discussed and measured.

As always, there is much work to be done. Healthcare systems throughout the world can and must continue to improve. The U.S., for instance, is undergoing fundamental changes that will impact not only its own healthcare system’s delivery and payment mechanisms, but quite possibly those in other countries as well.

As we work to do our part and contribute to the global dialogue on public health, we remain committed to the United Nations Global Compact and its 10 principles and support the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). I was privileged to participate in the U.N. Global Compact CEO Roundtable for the first time in 2018, where an international coalition of leaders discussed equality and human rights and their relationship to business. It remains clear that working with others to identify concrete ways to enhance our contributions to society will maximize our collective impact, ultimately bringing greater health outcomes to people around the world.

This also was a year of continued development for our Global Social Responsibility (GSR) practice. Building upon last year’s momentum, we enhanced our oversight of GSR issues, as well as undertook our most comprehensive analysis to date to identify key social responsibility priorities and better understand our potential to increase our positive impact and reduce risks in the areas that most affect our business and society. The information we gathered informs our strategic planning, and we look forward to gaining even more insights from internal and external stakeholders as we continue our efforts.

As a global healthcare leader, we take seriously our role and the impact we have on the lives of billions across the world. We know that the support of our stakeholders, collaboration with our partners and the dedication of our employees are essential requirements for success. I am grateful for their genuine commitment to work together to face challenges, solve complex issues and – above all – tirelessly seek opportunities to create better health for a better world.

Heather Bresch, CEO