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### **Pipeline Selects Dr. Blake Hawley for its Tenth Anniversary Class of Entrepreneurial Fellows**

*Blake Hawley, D.V.M, M.B.A., of Lawrence, Kansas-based Integrated Animal Health was chosen to participate in a nationally recognized year-long fellowship designed to accelerate the growth of high-performance entrepreneurs.*

LAWRENCE, Kan., Jan. 26, 2016 . The Pipeline Entrepreneurial Fellowship program has announced that Blake Hawley, D.V.M., M.B.A., president and chief executive officer of Integrated Animal Health, LLC (IAH), Lawrence, Kan., will join the 2016 Class of Entrepreneurial Fellows.

Pipeline is an exclusive community of high-potential entrepreneurial leaders building high-growth companies throughout the Midwest Region. Each year, approximately a dozen new Fellows representing the Region's top entrepreneurial companies are invited to join Pipeline after an extensive selection process.

New Fellows from Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri participate in a unique and rigorous year-long business leadership development program focused on accelerating the growth of their companies. Pipeline blends workshop modules, advice from national experts and a deepening of the relationships among the Pipeline Members.

"It is an honor to be chosen for this elite fellowship program," said Dr. Hawley. "Pipeline has proven success in accelerating the growth of entrepreneurial companies. I am extremely excited to become a member of the Pipeline family and apply my learnings to IAH. As a company focused on identifying and commercializing new-to-the-world animal health solutions, the IAH mission closely aligns with the entrepreneurial spirit embodied by Pipeline."

Dr. Hawley has served in a number of roles within the animal health industry, as a practicing veterinarian and industry leader. His experience spans the globe developing brands and markets for new and expanding companies and technologies in animal health and nutrition. He joined IAH in 2015 to lead its global operations. As both a development stage and commercial animal health company, IAH is in the process of bringing unprecedented levels of innovation to market and developing exciting new products that meet the rapidly changing needs of the animal health industry.

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Pipeline's entrepreneurs do not just learn about business. The aim is to undergo a life altering experience that also changes the direction and trajectory of their company and connects them to lifelong friends and allies.

In the process, Pipeline entrepreneurs recognize the power of the network and remain engaged as they start new companies, enter even higher growth issues, become investors and continue as leaders in Pipeline and in their communities.

This tenth class reflects what Pipeline is all about . diverse industries, diverse entrepreneurs, three different states . and one compelling drive to succeed together,+said Joni Cobb, Pipeline's Founding CEO. They are joining Pipeline at such a remarkable time as this year will certainly be full of excitement, opportunity and expanded global networks. We can't wait to get started.+

Pipeline announced its annual entrepreneurial awards, including the *Innovator of the Year* award, at its sold out annual *Innovator of the Year* (IOTY) event at The Midland in Kansas City. Over 600 from Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska . and other parts of the nation - gathered to celebrate regional entrepreneurship and recognize entrepreneurial growth and contributions.

### **About Integrated Animal Health**

Integrated Animal Health (IAH) provides multiple pathways to market for products that aim to disrupt current paradigms for the use of antibiotics, pesticides and novel animal drugs, biologics and cancer therapies used in animals. With world headquarters in the heart of the Animal Health Corridor, IAH is the new engine driving innovation in animal health by helping companies bring transformative solutions to market. Its technologies target significant and costly issues in production animal systems, such as mastitis, scours and fly control to help companies satisfy consumer demand for sustainable, natural and antibiotic-free products while meeting the demand for growth. Offering a deep and fertile pipeline of more than 30 pioneering technology platforms, IAH is advancing its pipeline to include a wide range of applications, including products targeting equine and companion animal markets. The company has offices at the Bioscience and Technology Business Center in Lawrence, Kan., as well as in Australia, Europe and New Zealand. For more information, visit [IAHglobal.com](http://IAHglobal.com).

### **About Pipeline**

In its tenth year, Pipeline has now selected over 100 entrepreneurs to join its exclusive community of high-potential entrepreneurial leaders building high-growth companies throughout the Midwest region. Pipeline's class of Fellows represents high growth entrepreneurs in Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri. New members participate in a unique and rigorous year-long business leadership development program that blends workshop modules, advice from national experts and a deepening of the relationships among new and current Pipeline members. As keystones of the regional business environment, Pipeline members are creating jobs, investing in their businesses and communities and mentoring the next-generation of business leaders. For more information about Pipeline, contact Hayley Brower at 913.307.0004 or visit [www.pipelineentrepreneurs.com](http://www.pipelineentrepreneurs.com).