



2012 Corporate Landmark Abbott

Abbott is a global, diversified pharmaceutical and medical products company founded in Chicago in 1888 by Dr. Wallace Calvin Abbott. Abbott serves people in over 130 countries worldwide, but has remained committed to preserving, and continuing to make history, here in Chicago. Abbott purchased the 1891 Queen Anne-styled home of its founder and worked with the City of Chicago to landmark the building in March of 2006. Abbott received a Preservation Excellence Award from the City of Chicago Landmarks Commission in 2007 for the restoration of Dr. Abbott's home.

Over its 124 years, Abbott has continually embodied its statement purpose, "A Promise for Life," through its products and its actions. The company invests more than \$4 billion in research and development each year to innovate new solutions to pressing health care needs throughout the world. Miles D. White is Abbott's longest serving Chief Executive Officer, after Dr. Abbott himself. During his tenure he has led the transition of the company into a diversified global technology leader.