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### **Chestnut Global Partners and China National Petroleum Corporation (CNPC) to Present EAP Expatriate Model at IHPM's Inaugural Energy Industry Summit**

Companies to showcase successful employee assistance and wellness program for CNPC's expats around the world at event sponsored by the Institute of Health and Productivity Management (IHPM).

**HOUSTON, TX — October 28, 2014** — Chestnut Global Partners (CGP), a provider of culturally-aware, outcomes-based employee assistance and wellness programs to companies worldwide, will be leading a presentation on the Strategic Value of Employee Assistance Programs to the Oil & Gas Industries, at IHPM's first Energy Industry Health, Wellness & Productivity Global Summit, held October 27-28 in Houston, Texas. CGP's CEO Russ Hagen will be joined by CNPC's Wang Hongtao, Head of Overseas HSE & Security, to provide attendees with an overview of the successful health, wellness and safety program for expatriates that they rolled out to CNPC employees across the world.

The presentation will address the program's key principles: Team Health (improving the mental health of overseas staff), Operation Safety (screening high-risk individuals to reduce operation risk in overseas project), Management Optimization (applying international management standards and establish a caring corporate image). The presenters will then provide attendees with an in-depth description of the program's four main components: an EAP hotline ("for happiness, growth and life"), an overseas support team of mental health management with psychological skills and crisis-management capacities (166 overseas managers were trained), onsite mental health assessments, screenings & intervention, and an online platform integrating expert resources and services that expats from all regions (China, Asia, Africa, America) can readily access and use.

"It's an honor to be among the handful of companies selected to present at IHPM's first energy industry summit," said Russ Hagen, Chestnut CEO. "We look forward to showing how our behavioral scientists and technical staff in the U.S. and China worked closely with Wang Hongtao and his team within CNPC in tailoring an integrated program suited to their company culture and their business goals -- which puts a premium on worker productivity and safety. Attendees should come away with a better understanding of the elements that go into a program that combines central coordination with in-country expertise and resources. They will see how we've been able to actively engage a diverse expat population, and demonstrably improve both utilization and outcomes."

"At CNPC we place great emphasis on expatriate training, as maintaining a safety-minded, focused and productive expat workforce is a top priority," said CNPC's Wang Hongtao. "Our presentation will show how the early intervention employee assistance programs developed by CGP have become central to the success of our expatriate program. We are particularly proud of our rising utilization numbers, as more and more expats are willing to enlist the professional help and tools at their disposal for managing stress and solving problems."



China National Petroleum Corporation (CNPC) is one of the world's largest oil and gas companies. CNPC has oil sites in locations in the Middle East and Africa.

The Institute for Health and Productivity Management (IHPM) is a non-profit global enterprise created in 1997 to establish the full value of employee health as a business asset and an investment in workplace productivity and corporate performance. At the center of the Institute's work is the realization that health, wellbeing, and productivity are global issues impacting the success of companies and nations. IHPM champions the idea of health as human capital – and the greatest untapped source of competitive advantage in a global marketplace. CGP is a Steering Group member of the Workplace Place Wellness Alliance--created by the World Economic Forum (WEF) and now powered by IHPM.

### **About Chestnut Global Partners**

Chestnut Global Partners (CGP) is a behavioral health organization based in Bloomington, IL that offers a full range of culturally aware employee assistance and related workplace services. CGP combines EAP with wellness, disability, high risk maternity, employees safety and compliance management programs, designed to promote employee well-being, improve performance and reduce absenteeism.

Chestnut Global Partners serves companies in over 140 countries. Chestnut Global Partners' Division of Commercial Science develops and deploys scientific assessment technologies, outcome measures, and analytical methodologies so that EAPs, wellness companies, disease management entities and purchasers the world over can determine the effects and/or worth of their programs. For more, visit [www.chestnutglobalpartners.org](http://www.chestnutglobalpartners.org).

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