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Joanne Waldstreicher, M.D., is chief medical officer for the Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceuticals Group, and responsible for ensuring rigorous and seamless global end-to-end development for the company's pharmaceutical products. She leads a multi-disciplinary committee that reviews and endorses medical, scientific, and regulatory development plans for the pharmaceuticals group. Waldstreicher is also responsible for medical safety, Asia R&D, epidemiology, adaptive design strategy, pediatrics, established products and small molecule clinical pharmacology.

Prior to becoming Chief Medical Officer in March 2009, Joanne served as senior vice president and head of Global Drug Development for the Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research & Development, L.L.C. (J&JPRD) CNS/Internal Medicine business unit. In this role she was responsible for late-stage development of the CNS/internal medicine pipeline, spanning the areas of psychiatry, neurology, pain, infectious disease, cardiovascular medicine, urology, metabolism and other emerging areas.

Prior to joining J&JPRD in 2002, Waldstreicher was head of the endocrinology and metabolism clinical research group at Merck Research Laboratories, and responsible for overseeing clinical development of Mevacor®, Zocor®, Proscar® and Propecia®, and for clinical development programs in atherosclerosis, obesity, diabetes, urology, dermatology and oncology. During that time, she received numerous distinctions, including the Merck Research Laboratory Key Innovater Award as well as a Merck Marketing award for her work on Propecia® and Proscar®.

Waldstreicher received a Jonas Salk scholarship from the City University of New York and graduated Summa Cum Laude from Brooklyn College and Cum Laude from Harvard Medical School. She completed her fellowship in endocrinology and metabolism at Massachusetts General Hospital. She has won numerous awards and scholarships and has authored more than 70 papers and abstracts.