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Corporate Angel Network Elects Dr. Bret Schipper to Board of Directors

White Plains, NY, March 28, 2024 – Bret M. Schipper MD, FACS, CPE, Vice President Hartford Healthcare, Chief, Surgical Oncology, Hartford Hospital; Co-Physician-in-Chief, Hartford HealthCare Digestive Health Institute; Director, Oncologic Surgery, HHC Cancer Institute has been elected to the Board of Directors of Corporate Angel Network, a nonprofit organization that provides cancer patients free transportation on corporate aircraft to travel to specialized medical centers.

“With his remarkable medical background and his passion for aviation, Dr. Schipper will bring a unique perspective and will be a valuable addition to our Board,” said CAN Chairman Jean Rosanvallon.

“I’m pleased and honored to join this amazing organization. It is the perfect crossroads of my two passions in life: aviation and medicine,” said Dr. Schipper. “I’m very excited to help ensure that when patients need life-saving treatment that may not be available in their community, CAN is there to help support them and get them to the right location to receive the cutting-edge care they need.”

Dr. Schipper is chief of surgical oncology at Hartford Hospital and The Hospital of Central Connecticut as well as the director of oncologic surgery for the entire Hartford Healthcare Cancer Institute. He serves as an assistant clinical professor in the departments of surgery at both the University of Connecticut School of Medicine and Quinnipiac University School of Medicine.

He is also very passionate about aviation. He is currently working on his private pilot license and enjoys any opportunity to hone his flying skills and interact with the aviation community.

About Corporate Angel Network

Corporate Angel Network (CAN) is a 501 (c)(3) organization whose mission is to help cancer patients access the best treatment centers in the country by arranging free travel on corporate aircraft. Private jet travel makes it possible for patients, especially those in locations with minimal airline access, to travel to specialized medical centers. CAN works closely with hundreds of America’s top corporations to match empty seats with patient flight requests. Thanks to the generous support of these companies, CAN has coordinated more than 68,000 flights since its founding in 1981.

How to donate to CAN

Whether it's \$5 or \$500, all donations truly matter. We use donations for a variety of purposes, including ground transportation, hotel accommodations and other patient services requests. We aim to eliminate all travel barriers for patients to ensure they can access the treatment they need. Help us make more smiles possible by [visiting our website to make a donation today!](#)