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Doug Bambeck, Member of the Retirement Advisor Council, Attends Commonwealth Retirement Symposium

New Philadelphia, Ohio (June, 2013)—Douglas G. Bambeck, an investment advisor representative of Investment Partners, LTD in New Philadelphia, Ohio, attended the third annual Retirement Symposium—an educational conference hosted by Commonwealth Financial Network®, the nation's largest privately held independent broker/dealer–RIA. The symposium, themed *Promoting Wellness: Your Practice, Your Plans, and Participant Outcomes*, took place in Chicago, Illinois, May 20–22, 2013, and provided strategies, tangible ideas, and resources to help promote wellness across all aspects of attending financial advisors' retirement plan advisory practices.

Prior to the start of the conference, Doug joined fellow members of Commonwealth's Retirement Advisor Council for their inaugural meeting. The Retirement Advisor Council comprises seasoned advisors who specialize in, and have a deep working knowledge of, qualified retirement plans. The group exchanges business planning ideas, collaborates on how Commonwealth can help affiliated advisors achieve success in this marketplace, and helps inform and shape the direction of Commonwealth's retirement plan offering.

At the two-day Retirement Symposium, attendees gathered with a targeted group to participate in advanced retirement-focused educational sessions and had the opportunity to engage with 401(k) industry experts, as well as Commonwealth's home office staff. The agenda included formal presentations, workshops, keynote speakers, and breakout sessions, with focus placed on:

- Refining sales and practice management tactics to maximize profitability
- Leveraging business partners effectively
- Working with plan sponsors to optimize plan participation and outcomes

"Commonwealth continues to be a recognized leader in the qualified plan industry," said Paul Mahan, Commonwealth's vice president of retirement consulting services. "We are continually introducing innovative tools and programs that expand the capabilities of our advisors and strengthen their offerings in the retirement plan marketplace. We have placed heavy emphasis on resources that focus on, and are aligned with, plan health and participant preparedness for retirement."

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