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Allan J. Flach, M.D., Pharm.D., president of Prevent Blindness Northern California, and Pamela Gleeson, vice president controller of Santen Inc., kicked off the annual “Prevent Blindness Day” at San Francisco’s Pac Bell Park. Santen has been the event’s lead sponsor for three years, enabling hundreds of children in Northern California to receive free eye screenings as well as to attend the San Francisco Giants vs. the Oakland A’s “Battle of the Bay” game.

Santen, a leading ophthalmic pharmaceutical company in the U.S., is headquartered in Napa, California. A wholly-owned subsidiary of Santen Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., Santen currently has three ophthalmic pharmaceutical products on the market: QUIXIN<sup>®</sup> (levofloxacin ophthalmic solution) 0.5%, BETIMOL<sup>®</sup> (timolol ophthalmic solution) 0.25%, 0.5% and ALAMAST<sup>®</sup> (pemirolast potassium ophthalmic solution) 0.1%.

Prevent Blindness Northern California is a nonprofit organization based in San Francisco and annually provides vision screenings – particularly for amblyopia -- to nearly 30,000 Northern California preschoolers. The organization provides training and support to 500 community screeners and also works with a variety of organizations to screen adults for glaucoma and other sight-related conditions. For more information, contact Barbara Cox, executive director, 415-387-0934 or [bc Cox@eyeinfo.org](mailto:bc Cox@eyeinfo.org).

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