

# MEDTRONIC CEO EARNS TOP HONORS FROM TWO BUSINESS PUBLICATIONS

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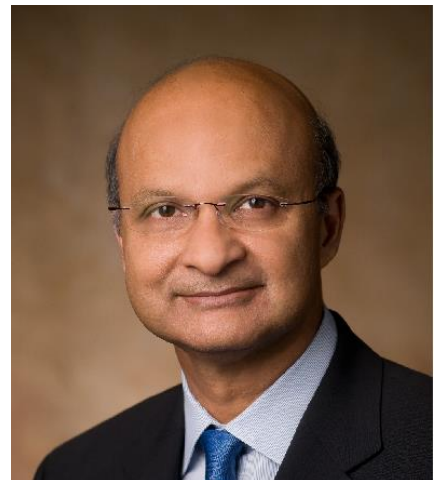
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On Tuesday, November 17, Medtronic CEO Omar Ishrak was named 2015 Person of the Year and 2016 Executive of the Year by *Twin Cities Business* and *Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal*, respectively. The two publications made their separate announcements within hours of each other.

*Twin Cities Business* (TCB) will make Ishrak the subject of its December cover story, due out the week of November 23. The story provides an overview of the CEO – currently in his fifth year leading Medtronic – and highlights the 2015 acquisition of Covidien, steady improvements in the company's financial performance, and a commitment to expanding the healthcare company's Minnesota-based workforce.

"For this award, we considered several individuals' achievements during the past year," says *Twin Cities Business* Editor in Chief Dale Kurschner. "Ishrak stood out for exceptional leadership that is strengthening our state's economy, reputation and culture."

The *Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal's* Executive of the Year is cited by the publication as "an important figure in the past year's news and (who has) made outstanding contributions to his or her company, its industry and the community." Ishrak will be the focus of a January 1 article by the *Journal*, with additional coverage of the annual award in the publication's February 26 issue.



Medtronic CEO Omar Ishrak

Since joining Medtronic in 2011, Ishrak has focused the company on three core strategies of Therapy Innovation, Economic Value and Globalization. These three strategies form the basis for Medtronic's efforts to partner with its customers to drive high-quality patient outcomes, expand patient access to healthcare, and lower costs in healthcare systems around the world. He was recently interviewed by Barron's for the magazine's *CEO Spotlight*, where he discusses the vision he has for Medtronic and the role the company plays in delivering value-based healthcare, globally. To read that article, [click here](#).

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