# **BRANDING SUCCESS STORY EVSCO PHARMACEUTICALS**

## **CHALLENGE:** EVSCO Pharmaceutical profits were dropping

dramatically. They were a small company in an industry of better known and better capitalized manufacturers. Lacking a clear corporate identity, the company resorted to discounting for quarterly sales goal achievement, greatly affecting profitability. Additionally, one or two products were pulled by the regulators annually as unsafe, which also greatly affected profits. The company needed to better address the underlying factors that influenced demand

EVSCO Pharmaceutical advertising won both AD-Q and readex awards in 1993 for highest reader recall. That someone from outside the industry could compete with ad agencies working with the giants and achieve this is extraordinary.

--- Veterinary Forum

**SOLUTION:** A comprehensive change in strategic initiatives designed to product profitability, and improve market share.

**Repositioned branding** to add value to the overall line and support premium pricing in the face of growing generics.

*Creation of the credible positioning tagline.* The Veterinary Standard became the core to establishing a differentiating image. Two products, Nutri-Cal and Laxatone, were indeed standards that other companies tried but failed to copy.

Creation of the Evsco Guaranteed program which offered both veterinarians and their clients guaranteed pet acceptance. While it was a common occurrence to take back product that was not accepted by the pet, there was no official program in the entire industry...until I created and publicized one.

## Revamped the sales and marketing processes.

Reorganization of product categories to match those used by veterinarians (as opposed to the delivery format previously used by the manufacturer).

Newly designed and written detail sheets consolidated the content of various sources and created a more streamlined sales approach. Incorporating competitive product information into these documents positioned Evsco product in a most favorable light and offered an educational resource not found elsewhere.

Pull-through sales materials - brochures, office posters and product displays - were created for the first time and distributed through veterinary offices to create end-user demand.

**RESULTS:** EVSCO sales on two products jumped over 100% for each in a single year, and overall aggregate sales increased approximately 20% each year. At the same time we reduced the number and frequency of specials to maximize profits.



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### Newly designed sales detail sheets



## Evsco product overview showing revised product line organization



## Redesigned LAXATONE AD incorporating new tag line, Evsco Guaranteed program logo

