

# **Press Release**

## Kimball International Launches New Pods Category

JASPER, IN., September 26, 2023 – Kimball International recently announced that the PoppinPod Kolo and Om series have found a new home within the National brand. This addition brings a new product category to the company. The move ensures the pod and office phone booth category remains a part of the Kimball International portfolio after its parent company, HNI, completed the sale of Poppin.

"We're seeing the demand for the pod category continue to grow in the post-pandemic office environment," said Michael Roch, Kimball International Chief Customer Officer. "Offering pods within our portfolio is our response to meeting our customers' needs and wants as we continue to put them at the center of our business."

Kolo Pods and Om Pods are perfect for workplace, healthcare, and education environments. With built-in power, comfortable ventilation, mobility, and personalized lighting at the touch of a button, the pods provide a turnkey solution for any space and user need. Featuring an anti-eavesdrop design, Kolo Pods and Om Pods reduce speech intelligibility and dampen sound, meaning stepping inside a pod can prevent confidential conversations from being overheard. From single-person, sit or stand-up pods to larger pods that accommodate up to six quests, as well as an ADA-compliant model, Kolo Pods and Om Pods offer a variety of solutions.

"Our Kolo Pods and Om Pods create spaces where employees and guests can feel comfortable and confident to do their best work," said Roch. "What's more, they are in stock and ready to ship," he added.



The Kolo Pod offers a quiet space for focused work, one-on-one meetings, and gatherings with up to six people, including an ADA-compliant model.

The Om Sit Pod and Om Stand Pod solutions easily accommodate individuals for a quick phone call, lengthy video chat, or anything in between.



### Learn more about National's pod solutions

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### **About Kimball International**

<u>Kimball International</u> is a leading omnichannel commercial furnishings company with deep expertise in the Workplace, Health, and Hospitality markets. We combine our bold entrepreneurial spirit, a history of craftsmanship, and today's design driven thinking alongside a commitment to our culture of caring and lasting connections with our customers, shareholders, employees, and communities. For over 70 years, our brands have seized opportunities to customize solutions into personalized experiences, turning ordinary spaces into meaningful places. Our family of brands includes <u>Kimball</u>, <u>National</u>, <u>Etc.</u>, <u>Interwoven</u>, <u>Kimball Hospitality</u>, <u>D'style</u>, and <u>David Edward</u>. Kimball International is based in Jasper, Indiana.

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