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## **Q & M DENTAL GROUP HOSTS THE 2014 SINGAPORE CHINA CAD CAM SYMPOSIUM**

- **Formation of the Q & M Computer Aided Design and Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAD CAM) Academy**
- **Q & M to introduce cutting edge CAD CAM Dentistry into the heartlands**
- **Completion of the proposed acquisition of Aidite by Q & M**

**Singapore, 13 August 2014 – Q & M Dental Group (Singapore) Limited** (“Q & M” or the “Group”), the largest private dental healthcare group in Singapore, hosted the 2014 Singapore China CAD CAM Symposium on 13 August 2014, a symposium bringing together established practitioners of CAD CAM Dentistry both in Singapore and China. The Symposium was graced by Mr Lee Yee Fung, the Lifestyle Business Group Director of International Enterprise Singapore and Clinical Professor Patrick Tseng, the Chief Dental Officer of the Ministry of Health, Singapore.

Q & M extended its invitation to China-based practitioners via the China-based dental materials manufacturer, Qinhuangdao Aidite High Technical Ceramic Co Ltd (“**Aidite**”). Q & M is pleased to announce the completion of the proposed acquisition of Aidite, the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest specialised dental ceramics manufacturer in China of ceramic and zirconium oxide blocks, the key component materials of CAD CAM Dentistry.

As part of the acquisition of Aidite, Q & M will be assisting Aidite in the construction of a new dental materials manufacturing factory in Qinhuangdao, China as well as future research and development to explore the possibility of creating new products.

The Group firmly believes that CAD CAM Dentistry represents the future of Dentistry though its accessibility is hindered by the high costs of setting up and operating such technology. The key ceramic / zirconia materials used to fabricate the crowns and ceramic restorations are not widely available in Singapore and most of the dental clinics offering CAD CAM Dentistry are high-end practices located in the central business district.

With the Group's acquisition of Aidite, Q & M is well positioned to take advantage of this opportunity to bring economics of scale to its primary patient pool, the HDB heartlanders. The Group's wholly owned Singapore subsidiary, QuantumLeap, is a distributor of the CAD CAM equipment manufactured by the well-known Danish brand, 3-Shape, in Singapore.

Moreover, the setting up of the Q & M CAD CAM Academy enables the Group to provide specialised training to its team of dentists on the use of the technology.

With access to reasonably priced materials, technology and the Group's vast network of dental clinics, Q & M is now able to provide CAD CAM Dentistry to the mass market in Singapore.

**Key highlights of the Symposium:**

- Announcement of the formation of the Q & M CAD CAM Academy, a CAD CAM focused academy in Singapore;
- Guest of Honour Speech by Mr Lee Yee Fung;
- Tour of Q & M's flagship dental centre located at City Square Mall; and
- Lectures by leading CAD CAM Dentistry practitioners.

**Dr Ng Chin Siau, Group Chief Executive Officer** said: "With our acquisition of Aidite, we now have access and control of the expensive ceramic and zirconia material used to fabricate the crowns and ceramic restorations in CAD CAM Dentistry. More importantly Q & M has the vast network of almost 60 clinics located island-wide, with most of them located in the HDB heartlands, near town centres and MRT stations. With the formation of the CAD CAM Academy, we will try to train as many of our 170 dentists as possible on the use of the technology".

"In line with our Ministry of Health's mission of ensuring that dental healthcare remains affordable, I am encouraged by Q & M's initiatives in trying to make the traditionally expensive, high end dental procedures more affordable and accessible for our patients", said **Clinical Professor Patrick Tseng, the Chief Dental Officer of the Ministry of Health, Singapore.**

*This news release is to be read in conjunction with the Group's announcement posted on SGXNET on 13 August 2014.*

**About Q & M Dental Group (全民牙医集团 (新加坡) 有限公司)**

Q & M Dental Group [QC7.SI] is a growing private dental healthcare group in Asia. The Group operates the largest network of dental outlets in Singapore and is building its presence in the People's Republic of China ("PRC") and Malaysia.

Founded in 1996, Q & M Dental Group has built an established brand through its reputation as a reliable provider of quality dental healthcare services. In Singapore, the Group has more than 55 dental clinics and centres strategically located island-wide and 1 mobile dental clinic. It also owns two dental supplies and equipment distribution companies. The Group has a team of about 170 experienced dentists, supported by about 300 clinic staff, to provide quality service to its patient pool of more than 600,000 island-wide.

Q & M Dental Group is presently executing plans to expand its presence in the overseas markets. To-date, the Group has invested in several dental healthcare groups in the PRC that operate a total of 6 dental clinics, 1 dental centre and a mobile dental clinic in Beijing, Nanjing and Shanghai. The Group recently completed its acquisition of the Shenyang-based Aoxin Stomatology Group which operates 3 dental hospitals, 3 dental clinics and a dental training institute. In Malaysia, it has 9 dental clinics and a dental equipment distribution company.

The Group was listed on the Main Board of the SGX-ST on 26 November 2009. For further information on Q & M Dental Group, please visit the Group's website at [www.QandMDental.com.sg](http://www.QandMDental.com.sg).

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