



## Q & M DENTAL GROUP (SINGAPORE) LIMITED

(Company Registration No. 200800507R)

### Announcement

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**APPROVAL IN-PRINCIPLE FROM THE SINGAPORE EXCHANGE SECURITIES TRADING LIMITED FOR THE LISTING AND QUOTATION OF UP TO 284,356,932 NEW SHARES COMPRISING (I) 275,226,497 ADDITIONAL SHARES; AND (II) 9,130,435 ADDITIONAL CONVERSION SHARES PURSUANT TO A PROPOSED SHARE SPLIT OF EACH ORDINARY SHARE IN THE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY INTO TWO ORDINARY SHARES ("SHARE SPLIT")**

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Board of Directors ("**Board**") of Q & M Dental Group (Singapore) Limited ("**Company**") wishes to announce that the Company proposes to conduct a proposed Share Split. In relation to the foregoing, the Board also wishes to announce that the Company has on 30 March 2012 received the in-principle approval of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("**SGX-ST**") of the Company's draft circular to shareholders in respect of the proposed Share Split and for the listing of, and quotation of the new ordinary shares in the capital of the Company ("**New Shares**") to be issued in connection with the proposed Share Split, subject to:-

- (a) shareholders' approval for the proposed Share Split being obtained at an extraordinary general meeting; and
- (b) the Company's compliance with the SGX-ST's listing requirements and guidelines.

The SGX-ST's approval in-principle is not an indication of the merits of the proposed Restricted Share Plan, the New Shares, the Company and/or its subsidiaries.

#### 2. RATIONALE OF THE SHARE SPLIT

The Directors believe that the Proposed Share Split is beneficial to the Company and its Shareholders for the reasons set out below:-

(a) **Increase market liquidity of the Shares**

The Proposed Share Split may improve market liquidity of the Company's Shares over time as the reduced price of each lot will make the Shares more accessible to both existing and potential investors.

(b) **Broaden the Shareholder base**

With the increased number of lots available for trading purposes, the Proposed Share Split may also broaden the Shareholder base of the Company from the current number of approximately 1,183 Shareholders (as at 15 March 2012) by improving the accessibility of an investment in the Company to potential investors.

Shareholders should note, however, that there can be no assurance that the abovementioned can be achieved as a result of the Proposed Share Split, nor is there assurance that such a result can be sustained in the longer term. Shareholders should also note that there can be no assurance that the price of the Shares after the implementation of the Proposed Share Split would be equal to or higher than the theoretical Subdivided Share price of S\$0.765 subsequent to the implementation of the Proposed Share Split (based on the last transacted Share price as of 30 March 2012 of S\$0.383).

A circular (the “**Circular**”) setting out full details of the proposed Share Split, together with a notice convening the extraordinary general meeting to seek Shareholders’ approval for, inter alia, the proposed Share Split will be despatched to Shareholders in due course.

**Issued by Q & M Dental Group (Singapore) Limited**

Dr Ng Chin Siau  
Chief Executive Officer  
2 April 2012

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

Q & M Dental Group [QNM SP / QMDT.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 46 dental clinics strategically located island-wide, three dental centres and one mobile dental clinic. It also owns two dental supplies and equipment distribution companies. The Group has a team of about 150 experienced dentists, supported by about 300 clinic support staff, to provide quality service to its patient pool of more than 400,000 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 two dental healthcare groups in the PRC that operate a total of seven dental clinics, one dental centre and a mobile dental clinic in Beijing and Nanjing cities. It also has a 70% stake in a dental practice in Johor Bahru, Malaysia which operates 2 clinics.

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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